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First From Brazoria



CADET J. O. HUGHES

Cadet J. O. Hughes was the first man from Brazoria county to enlist in the navy. That was 3 years ago and now he has been given his wings as a naval flyer and is in Pensacola, Florida, in training for the big job ahead.

Cadet Hughes was recently in Cameron visiting in the home of his uncle, J. O. Hughes of Ad Hall, one of the best known Milam county residents. While here Cadet Hughes visited others for he is no stranger here. The family formerly lived here before moving to Brazoria county.

Cadet Hughes is named for his uncle J. O. Hughes of Ad Hall and needless to say that Mr. Hughes is proud of his nephew who will soon be a full pledged pilot of the Navy Air Corps.

J. Z. YOUNG IS KILLED IN ACTION IN PACIFIC

J. Z. Young, United States Navy, has been killed in action in the Pacific theatre of war, according to a telegram received Tuesday by Mrs. Young who resides in Gause.

Mrs. Young telephoned the information to Mrs. Leland Green, Jr., a sister of J. Z. Young. Mrs. Young was the former Miss Juanita Thomas of Cameron and daughter of Mrs. John Henry Thomas of Gause.

J. Z. Young, son of the late Dr. J. Z. Young of Buckholts, was reared in Cameron. His mother, also dead, lived in Cameron for a number of years, following the death of Dr. Young.

Young who went to the Navy more than a year ago, had been on active duty in the Pacific for about 12 months. He was serving aboard a Destroyer. He received his basic training at the great naval school at San Diego, Calif.

Additional details were expected within a few days when the Navy Department in Washington can release the information.

Surviving besides his widow and daughter, Johnny, are three brothers, Ray Lymon Young of Cameron, Major Young of Houston and Robert Young of Vancouver, Washington, and one sister Mrs. Leland Green, Jr., of Cameron.

FORMER TEACHER HERE AND FAMILY ARE DEAD

Mrs. J. H. Clark, the former Miss Margaret Bloebaum, one time member of the high school faculty in Cameron, her husband J. H. Clark, wealthy Corpus Christi real estate operator and their six months old son were found dead in a tourist cabin in Corpus Christi Sunday morning.

J. G. Webster, owner of the tourist park, went to the Clark cabin to investigate why they had not been seen during the morning. He found the trio dead and a gas stove burning in the small apartment. A verdict of accidental asphyxiation was rendered by a coroner.

Funeral services were held at Pleasanton in Atascosa county on Sunday December 12.

Mr. Clark owned several farms in the Pleasanton area and was a large real estate operator in Corpus Christi.

Lt. and Mrs. W. P. Hogan of Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Md., have concluded a 13 day furlough with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Gaither. While here Mrs. Gaither entertained with a coffee Monday morning at her home. Beautiful Christmas decorations were used throughout the new home. Mrs. Hogan will be remembered as the former Miss Billie Gaither who has many friends in Cameron.

JOE CAMPES GETS 8 YEARS FOR MURDER

Joe Campes was convicted of murder in District Court here early Wednesday and given 8 years in prison for the slaying of Ramon Machaca, in Cameron on the morning of August 8, 1943.

Machaca was slain with a knife. He was found dead on the grounds of the Mexican Catholic church, following the stabbing. In the trial of the case, Campes, represented by Camp & Camp, attorneys, indicated that self defense was the motive for the killing. According to his testimony Machaca had threatened to kill him.

The state, represented by Ed. Gunn, Criminal District Attorney, exploded the self defense plea and obtained the verdict of 8 years in prison.

Campes, following his conviction, was taken to jail. It was not known whether he would appeal the case. He is 22 years old.

Deputy Sheriff Carl Black arrested Campes at his home on the Dick Young farm later in the morning following the slaying of Machaca. The fight occurred after midnight on Aug. 8th, as the young men met at the church where a celebration had been in progress.

16 DEGREES TONIGHT TEMPERATURE FORECAST

Below freezing temperatures ranging from 16 to 22 degrees were forecast for Cameron and vicinity at noon Wednesday by the Fort Worth Weather Bureau.

Richard Hester, local government observer, reported that the minimum or low here Wednesday morning was 20 and 12 degrees below freezing. The Maximum Tuesday was 51.

The freeze came in with high north winds and was generally unexpected. The coldest portion of the day occurred around 8:30 a. m. At 4:30 a. m. the thermometer registered 30 degrees and within 4 hours the temperature drop was 10 degrees.

The noon forecast was for East Texas: Tonight, fair, hard freeze; temperature 16 to 22 degrees in central portion. Thursday fair with slowly rising temperatures.

BILLIE RAY SHUFFIELD BURIED HERE SATURDAY

Billie Ray Shuffield, age 6 months, died at the Newton Memorial Hospital Friday, December 10th. He had been ill for about four days.

He was born in Cameron, June 14, 1943. He was the son of Hubert Shuffield, Jr., and Mildred Sommer Shuffield. He has been visiting his grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Shuffield, Sr., of Cameron while his mother has been in the hospital in Houston when he became ill.

He is survived by his parents; his paternal grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Shuffield, Sr., his maternal grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Sommer.

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at 3:00 p. m. at the Green's Funeral Home, Rev. C. W. Sanders, Baptist minister of Cameron officiating. Interment in Salem Cemetery.

Milano Boy Lost at Sea; Edward Baggett Was 1940 Volunteer

News has reached the Daily Herald that Edward Baggett, United States Navy, has been lost at sea.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Baggett of Milano, parents of Edward, have been notified that their son is missing in action and is presumed to be lost. The information did not state whether Baggett was in the Atlantic or Pacific.

Baggett volunteered for service in the Navy 3 years ago and was at home several months ago on furlough from duty at sea with the fleet.

Friends in Milano had received word from him only a few days before the message came that he had been lost at sea.

Mrs. M. A. Baggerly has received word that her daughter, Mrs. S. E. Hughes has safely joined her husband in Columbia, S. C.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Grayson of Waco were guests in the home of Mrs. Florence Marham on Wednesday.

Three Kopriva Brothers Now In Ireland



TECH SGT. ANTON KOPRIVA

A singular fact about the army service of these three Kopriva brothers is the fact that before leaving the United States they were all at Camp McCoy, Wis., and are now together in Northern Ireland. They are the



PFC. FRANK KOPRIVA, JR.

sons of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kopriva, Sr., of Cameron, all are volunteers and each one has made good progress in the army. While at Fort Sam Houston, Pfc. Frank Kopriva Jr., drove the car in which President



PFC. JOE KOPRIVA

Roosevelt inspected the fort. Tech Sgt. Anton Kopriva is a cook and also Pfc. Joe Kopriva is a cook. These fine boys are buying war bonds and sending money home while serving their country.

LESTER WILLIAMS IS PYTHIAN CHANCELLOR

Lester Williams, cashier of the Citizens National Bank, and active young Pythian has been elected Chancellor Commander of the Lodge in Cameron.

Mr. Williams, along with other officers of the lodge, newly elected will take office in the near future. Chas. M. Hicks, county superintendent, was named Vice Chancellor.

Here is the list of officers elected:

Lester Williams, Chancellor Commander; Chas. M. Hicks, Vice Chancellor; Graham W. Gillis, Prelate; Walter H. Lucas, Master of Works; J. M. McLenn, Keeper of Records and Seal, Master of Finance; L. A. Duack, Master of Exchequer; Parto Jackson, Master at Arms; Claud E. Triggs, Inside Guardian; Thomas Bever, Outside Guardian; Mose G. Cox, Trustee; Jeff T. Kemp, Representative; Lester Williams, Auditor.

St. Francis Recreates Scene of Holy Manger

When Caesar tried to blot out the Christian church, awful days followed, as the lovers of Jesus were put to death. Christmas seemed lost, until St. Nicholas, the boy-bishop, rediscovered it in the Fourth century.

St. Nicholas—who became Santa Claus—did good on the sly—slipping into homes and leaving toys for the children, without being caught. For a brief time he made Christmas "merry" again; then the darkness came.

Still later, in 1223, Francis of Assisi recaptured the spirit of Christmas. He asked the pastor of the village church to let him use the church on Christmas Eve, and the pastor let him have his way.

First, he filled the chancel with hay. Then he found an ox and an ass and pushed them up the aisle into the chancel. He got a young mother to sit beside them with her baby; he made a picture of Christmas.

It was Francis who wrote the first Christmas carols—simple songs, homey, cheery, playful, and taught the people to sing them. They spread from land to land. The clergy said he was crazy; the people said he was a saint.

PARTY FOR EMPLOYEES

Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Caperton entertained their regular employees on Friday night of last week with a Christmas party at their place of business.

The Christmas tree was beautifully decorated and laden with gifts which were distributed by S. B. Morris who impersonated Santa Claus.

Refreshments of sandwiches, cookies and hot chocolate ended a delightful evening. Out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Morris.

HOLCEK-PESCHEL

Miss Vallie Holcek, daughter of Ondrea Holcek became the bride of Pvt. Albert Peschel, son of E. H. Peschel of Ben Arnold on Monday December 13, 1943, at 3 o'clock. They were married at the Parish home of the priest in Burlington.

The bride has formerly been employed at Cato's Cafe in Cameron. After a few days they will return to Camp Polk, La., where he is stationed.

Christmas Doll



Despite priorities and shortages, little sister still will have her Christmas doll. Although wartime shortages exist in the items listed above, manufacturers displaying their wares in Chicago's Merchandise Mart state that they will have sufficient replacements through the use of less critical materials.

Glass The Florist to Open New Shop In Cameron Sunday

The reward for merit is achievement and success is always followed by progress.

Interest in Cameron and central Texas was centering today around the announcement of Glass, The Florist that they are opening their New Floral Shop on Sunday, December 19, 1943, from 4 to 6 p. m.

Open house between the hours of 4 and 6 p. m. Sunday is announced with an invitation published to all the people.

The new floral shop is located at 416 North Travis Street, property recently purchased by Glass and for many years the home of the late Dr.

M. C. Sapp. The building is a spacious mansion which has been converted into one of the most modern floral shops in central Texas, as well as providing living accommodations and other features to augment the service of this widely known floral business.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Glass are receiving congratulations from thousands of friends and commendatory messages from the trade and from many friends over their territory.

Mr. and Mrs. Glass came to Cameron in January 1932, to become managers for the T. W. Reed floral (turn to page five)

AMERICANS SPREADING RUIN OVER GERMANY

American airmen were spreading ruin over Germany again Tuesday as the heavy fortress ships of the air went again over northwest Germany.

Marauder mediums were over German air fields in Holland and for the first time in 8 days the air was being taken to the Reich.

The German radio said that a number of towns along the coast were attacked.

General Arnold, head of the American air forces said that the coming assaults upon Hitler's Europe will be fearful and terrible.

The Red armies were gaining at Kiev and the British 8th Army was smashing all German counter attacks in Italy.

General George Patton, old blood and guts whose 7th Army wiped out the Axis in Sicily, has shown up in Cairo with a large number of staff officers. Belief was spreading he may lead the invasion of the Balkans.

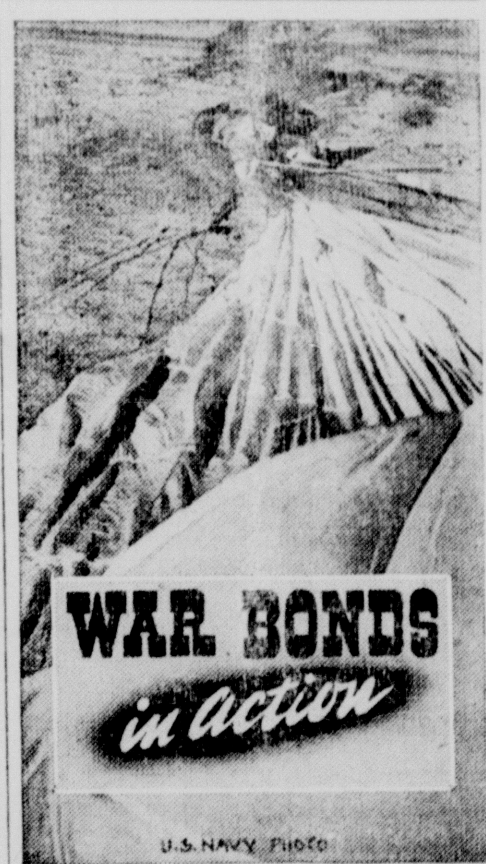
Robert Bennett Now On Submarine After Completing Training

Robert J. Bennett, 18, seaman 1st class, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Bennett, 513 N. Houston St., Cameron, has completed basic training at the Submarine School, Submarine Base, New London, Conn., for duty with our growing fleet of undersea fighters.

The new submariner will be entitled to wear the twin dolphin insignia of the submarine service after further experience aboard a submarine during which he must demonstrate to his commanding officer that he is fully qualified to carry out the duties of his rate. The insignia is regarded as a mark of distinction throughout the Navy.

Bennett was a graduate of Yoe High last January and lettered in the band here. He joined the Navy the following month and went to Great Lakes, Ill., for preliminary naval training.

C. J. Pittard, credit man for the Magnolia Oil Company of Waco was a business visitor in Cameron Tuesday.



More and more our armies are landing our fighting troops by parachute, disrupting enemy lines, enemy communications, but paying a heavy price in casualties.

Silken fineries and their substitutes are fast passing from the market to provide safe landings for our distant fighting men. We can still buy silk and nylon for them with War Bonds and Stamps.

U. S. Treasury Department

XMAS CHEER PROGRAM IS ANNOUNCED HERE

Gifts for Cameron's underprivileged children will be sponsored this year in the annual cheer program, it was announced Wednesday.

Participating in the cheer fund will be lodges and civic organizations.

The committee is asking co-operation of people in every neighborhood of the city. Names of children who should benefit from this program should be communicated to Mrs. J. M. McLenn, phone 765; Miss Winnie Henderson, phone 420; Mrs. H. N. Tate, phone 541W; Mrs. Paul Laake, phone 152, or Mrs. Adolph Winfield, phone 583.

Paul Kristyn of Thorndale was a business visitor in Cameron on Wednesday.

PIONEER PRESBYTERIAN MINISTER DEAD AT 89

Rev. B. E. Bowmer, pioneer Texas Minister and father of Mrs. J. W. Kemp of Cameron died Wednesday, December 8, 1943, at his home in Hubbard City.

Rev. Bowmer was a pioneer Cumberland Presbyterian minister and was 89 years of age. He retired from the ministry in 1925. He had served as Clerk of the Texas Synod, had been a missionary and served in other important places in the church organization.

Surviving are his widow and six children, one of whom is Mrs. J. W. Kemp of Cameron, Mrs. Mike Coleman, formerly of Cameron and now living in Gallup, New Mexico.

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR STEVE HOLLAND HELD

Funeral services for Steve Allen Holland, 70, were held at 4 p. m. Friday, December 10, 1943, from the Marek-Burns Funeral Home in Cameron with interment in Oak Hill Cemetery.

Mr. Holland died at his home in Cameron Wednesday, December 8, 1943, at 6:15 p. m. He had been ill for more than a year.

Born in Tennessee on March 19, 1870, he came to Texas at the age of 20 and had spent a half century in the state, a pioneer who saw the Lone Star in the making. He was married to Miss Minnie Eichenhorst in 1898, and to them were born 5 children.

Surviving are his widow and four sons: Louis Holland of Waco; Sgt. Charlie Holland in the United States Army and now overseas; Bruce Holland of Cameron; Mrs. G. W. Haley a daughter of Houston. Nine grand children and two sisters also survive.

Rev. C. W. Sanders, pastor First Baptist Church, conducted the services and the Marek-Burns Funeral Home directed arrangements.

PROBATE COURT

Nov. 24, 1943, Estella B. Nelson appointed guardian of the estate of Tommie Lee Jones and Morei Jones, minors, bond fixed at \$100. P. W. Davis, R. L. Batte and R. H. McIntosh appointed appraisors.

MARLOW BOYS HONORED

A social was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gobel Kirk of Marlow on Tuesday night, December 14, 1943 honoring the boys of Marlow who are soon to leave their home for their places in the armed forces. Charles McDermott and Griffin Burnett are leaving for the army, and Wesley Pratt left last Tuesday for the Navy and is now stationed at Camp Christ.

There were forty nine present to wish the boys good luck and a speedy return.

Gov. Coke R. Stevenson of Austin came to Cameron Tuesday to visit in the home of Judge and Mrs. Graham Gillis, to see their new grand daughter, Georgia Gillis, daughter of Capt. and Mrs. Billie Gillis, who is here with her mother on a visit in the Gillis home. Mrs. Billie Gillis formerly was Miss Leonore Riley, and was Secretary to Gov. Stevenson while was Lieutenant Governor of Texas, at Austin.

Happy Day



Even Santa Claus is smiling at the general hilarity occasioned by his visit to a naval training station. The recruits in front of the barracks may be many miles from home, but they're still celebrating Christmas with as much enthusiasm as ever.

Family Reunions Are Yule Custom

Christmas is a homey time. Family dinner parties and reunions are a traditional part of the holiday season in America, and this year more than ever we will be celebrating Christmas at home.

You can add a festive note to these family get-togethers by turning them into Christmas parties. Don't plan anything elaborate—just think up some simple invitations and a game or two. Your regular Christmas decorations will provide the setting.

For the invitations cut out paper snow balls, Santa Clauses or Christmas trees and write or print the invitation in ink of a contrasting color. Or buy small candy canes and attach a red paper tag with the invitation in white ink. If you're ambitious you might try writing a verse for these invitations.

From ordinary paper bags you can make party hats and head bands for the guests. Turn the top edge of the bag back in a roll until the "hat" is the right height. Paint or paste a Christmas design on these hats and they will be ready and waiting for the party. For the headbands cut strips of paper bag 2½ inches wide and decorate with gold stars, paper Christmas trees, holly, poinsettias, or cotton snowmen.

Games.

Christmas Toy Introductions.

When the members of the group are not acquainted with each other, this game will work out very nicely. Give each person a small tag on which has been written the name of some toy or object or subject of Christmas. On the back of each of these tags are written commands such as "Introduce yourself to Teddy Bear." "See that the train meets the wagon." "Discuss the price of eggs with the top." These cards must be prepared beforehand and arranged so that everyone keeps moving about introducing and being introduced to each other.

"Tip."—An English Game used at Christmas Time. Have nuts, candies, pop corn balls, etc., piled in center of table. One player leaves the room and the others select an object as "Tip." The absent player is called into the room and selects an object. He must avoid "Tip" and may have anything he gets. If "Tip" is chosen he loses his turn and must forfeit anything he has already won. A new "Tip" is chosen each time a player leaves.

A Pop Corn Relay—This is lots of fun. Divide contestants into two groups. At one end of the room are fastened the ends of two long strings of very strong linen thread with a needle on each of the other ends, stuck in a stationary cork lying on a table beside two bowls of popcorn with exactly the same number of kernels in each. Each player threads a kernel of corn on the string and runs with it to the other end of the room. The contest continues until one bowl is emptied by a team.

Greeting Contest. Write out the well-known poem, "The Night Before Christmas," on slips of paper, one line to a slip. Separate the odd lines from the even lines, and give the odd slips to the men and the even ones to the women. Read the poem and announce that each player is to find the person holding the line that rhymes with his. The partners are then given pencil and paper and told to write as many forms of Christmas greetings as they can in five minutes. The winning couple receives a peppermint candy cane.

Some of these suggestions for Christmas fun have been taken from *The Christmas Book*, by Marguerite Ickis, a compilation of background materials and suggestions for celebrating Christmas. The material includes interesting facts about Christmas customs in other lands, ideas for parties and social activities, music, drama, decorations, and refreshments. The book is available for 50 cents from the National Recreation Association, 315 Fourth Avenue, New York City.

Conversationalist

And then there's the barber who talked himself hoarse trimming his Christmas tree.

GERMAN OFFENSIVE IS BROKEN IN KIEV AREA

The power of the German army to launch a sustained offensive appeared broken for all time Monday as the Russians in a counter thrust in the Kiev sector drove the Nazi back, recapturing a large portion of the territory taken by the Germans in their recent campaign.

The Germans were taking a beating in the only two sectors where the Allied forces are coming to grips with them, in the East and in Italy.

In what was described as the greatest tank battle of the war the Reds were emerging victors and had recaptured a number of villages, killing 1600 Germans.

Hitler's Europe was seething with unrest all the way from the bomb scarred west to the jittery Balkans with talk of invasion. The war of nerves was going great for the United Nations who are still talking of major blows. No major blow at Europe has as yet been struck. There has been more than 2 years of talk as yet no action which could with any degree of promise reduce the Germans.

A Turkish report said that the Germans have a million men deployed in the Balkans. If true this would seem to be the most direct relief yet accomplished for the Russians in the East.

The Americans have been inactive from the West as the air war sealed down by bad weather was ineffective.

The fighting in Italy was growing more bitter each day. Rumania was reported in a state of collapse as war jitters hit the satellites. The government of puppet Bulgaria was tottering as the Germans fought against revolts.

The Japs are on the run in the New Guinea area while in China the Chinese were consolidating their dearly won victory at Changteh over the Japs.

The morning mail brought a Christmas card to the Herald from Sgt. John Henry Wilson, somewhere in England. Sgt. Wilson is in the Air Corps. The card is a photostatic copy of original from memograph, like many now reaching this country. Sgt. Wilson was at one time employed by the Herald.

Snow and Ice Over Panhandle Disrupting Traffic; Lines Down

A severe ice and snow storm over the Texas Panhandle Friday morning had taken a heavy toll of damage to telephone and telegraph lines, disrupting traffic and several persons were reported marooned.

A rescue train had been sent from one point to bring a party to safety as the storm, one of the worst in years for December continued.

Schools at Pampa were closed late Thursday. Heavy coating of ice on highways had disrupted traffic and everywhere power lines were more or less out of operation.

Up to noon Friday no deaths had been reported. The storm swept into the Panhandle Thursday and had reached Cameron by 6 a. m. Friday. Heavy downpours accompanied the north wind but rain had ceased before noon and the skies were gray. Temperatures were slowly receding.

Richard Hester, local weather observer for the government, said that rainfall up to noon Friday was .36. The maximum temperature Thursday was 79 and the minimum was 45 at noon Friday.

The Fort Worth Weather Bureau noon forecast was as follows for East Texas: Rain, colder tonight with temperatures 30 to 32 degrees in central portion. Saturday continued cold with strong winds.

GUNN-SUSEK

Miss Elizabeth Gunn and Frank E. Susek, both of Cameron, were united in marriage on Saturday, December 11, 1943, at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Gunn, by Judge Jeff T. Kemp. The bride was attended by Miss Agnes Weems and the groom by Pfc. Peter Kalanich of Camp Hood. The wedding was a single ring ceremony with only the family and very close friends present. The groom is employed in Cameron and they will be at their home on Rt. 2.

The bride was dressed in blue with black accessories.

Mrs. Wilma Ramsouer is expecting her daughter who are teaching school in San Antonio and Galveston, to be her holiday guests in the home of Miss Leila Woolley.

NAVY ANNOUNCED HERE JOB RECRUITING FOR

The Post Office Representative will recruit personnel to fill vacancies left by persons who have been promoted or who have joined the armed services, December 17 and 18 at Postoffice.

Stenographers, typists, clerks, accounting and auditing clerks who meet civil service requirements will be hired on the spot for employment as soon as travel can be arranged, appointees will be transferred at government expense to Washington, D. C., to work for the Navy.

Applicants are assured that they can secure rooms in government dormitories which are arranged in advance; cafeterias, gymnasiums, planned recreation programs, counselor service, parlors for entertaining

guests, rooms for laundry service and other conveniences for \$24 a month single room. Double rooms rent for \$16.50 a month are available. Applicants must be 17 1-2 years. There is no maximum age limit.

Appointments will be made in accordance with War Manpower Commission rules and regulations.

Virgil Lake Given Farewell Dinner; Is Entering the Army

Virgil Lake was given a farewell dinner by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Lake on Sunday, December 5th which consisted of Baked Goose and all the trimmings. Those present at the dinner were: Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Phries of Gause, Mr. and Mrs. Blakley Bailey and two daughters, Billie Vaughn, and Betty Jean of Gause, Mrs. May Fowler also of Gause, Mr.

and Mrs. R. M. Tubbs of Cameron, Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Barker of Yarellton, Mrs. J. M. Wilkerson of Yarellton, Mr. and Mrs. Giles Burnett and daughter Margaret Aline of Marlow.

He will leave Houston Thursday at 4:00 a. m. for San Antonio where he will join the armed forces of Uncle Sam.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Sproull and baby of Ben Arnold were Cameron visitors Saturday.

Mrs. Marshall Wimberly of Milano was Cameron visitor Saturday.



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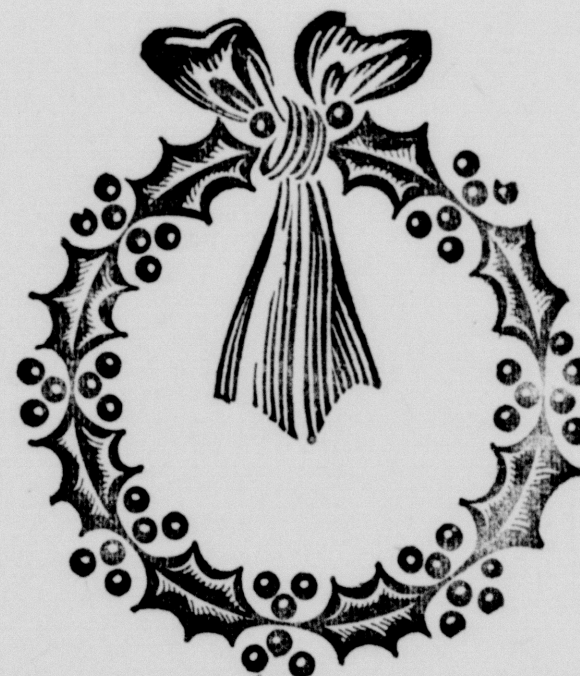
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The New Year will find us manifesting the same helpful interest in all.



NEW BLOWS FALLING UPON AXIS ENEMIES

Heavy air activity was reported from the Italian front Wednesday as United Nations airmen shot down 15 Nazi planes while losing 5. In this renewed air war greater offensive efforts on the ground were predicted.

The Canadians and Indian troops of the 8th Army under General Montgomery made important advances, capturing 6 Nazi officers and 110 men. Heavy opposition has been encountered in the Adriatic area.

The Germans were throwing the Red army back in some places on the Kiev front but the Russians were making gains in other sectors.

The heaviest raid of the war on New Britain in the South Pacific occurred Tuesday. American and Australian airmen were seen in new softening up blows as reports indicated the Allies may be ready to strike major blows at islands outposts of the Japanese conquest empire.

It was generally agreed that new offensives are shaping fast with major blows to be struck against the Japs.

Gift Quota For Men In Hospitals 400 for County Red Cross

The Red Cross gift quota for Milam county is 400 it was announced here Friday by Mrs. F. C. Fahrendorf.

Arthur Hugh Baskin is assisting in the drive and is making contacts to have churches in the city announce the plan from pulpits on Sunday.

Details of the splendid move will be made Monday. Gifts are defined and those who give them will write their names on the packages. These gifts are for Christmas cheer for wounded soldiers in the McClosky hospital in Temple and hospitals at Camp Hood.

Gifts will be inexpensive and hundreds here will want to have a share in this worthy holiday enterprise.

DECEMBER IN HISTORY

December 15, 1890—Sitting Bull, Sioux Chief, slain in North Dakota.

W. L. and Rueben Cass of Gause were Cameron visitors Saturday.

Mrs. Ida House of Milano was a business visitor in Cameron Monday.

A Happy and Prosperous New Year.

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Mad Fox Killed by Farmer; Head Sent To Austin for Check

A mad fox was killed Thursday on the Whittington farm near Ad Hall.

The head of the fox was sent to Austin for diagnosis. Early Friday Dr. D. P. Smith of Cameron received a telegram from Dr. S. W. Bohls, director of the Pasteur Institute laboratories, stating that the fox was infected with rabies.

Mr. Whittington killed the fox with a club, first felling it with a rock as it attacked. The fox was near the farm barns and attempted to attack Mr. Whittington.

On an adjoining farm owned by On an adjoining farm 4 cows have died from hydrophobia, said Dr. Smith. The situation was regarded as critical in that area.

Mrs. J. C. Wallace of Minerva was a visitor in Cameron Tuesday.

Mrs. Philip Hubnik of Marakville was a Cameron visitor Tuesday.

AMERICANS 75 MILES FROM ROME FRIDAY

Within 75 miles of Rome the American 5th army under General Mark W. Clark was holding Friday every dominating height over Cassino and slowly beating its way down to the plain on which this great German stronghold is located.

Savage fighting on the part of the Germans was making a shambles of the approaches to the city and one of the bloodiest battles of history appeared to be in progress.

The remaining 75 miles to Rome will be a nightmare. Over on the other side of the line the Germans were rushing in experienced mountain units to stem the tide of the British 8th Army under General Montgomery. The British had been unable to make progress within 24 hours, so severe was the German resistance.

West of Kiev the Germans were locked with Red army units in one of the decisive battles of the war. The Germans had lost 200 tanks and 500 men killed.

In the South Pacific Australians had captured the Japanese stronghold of Wareco in New Guinea and American warships had bombarded Nau'u island 500 miles west of the Gilberts. It was the first time this island had been attacked.

Sgt. and Mrs. Wilburn Shuffield are the proud parents of a fine baby boy, born Friday morning in the Newton Memorial Hospital.

A Happy and Prosperous New Year

Christmas Doll



Despite priorities and shortages, little sister still will have her Christmas doll. Although wartime shortages exist in the items listed above, manufacturers displaying their wares in Chicago's Merchandise Mart state that they will have sufficient replacements through the use of less critical materials.

Cpl. and Mrs. Roma Baskin of Jackson Mississippi and Mrs. LeRoy Wheeler and son, Jay of Three Rivers, were visitors this last week in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Baskin of Buckholts.

FOR SALE—Horses, cows, chickens and hogs, also place for rent. L. A. Johns, Phone 9004F22. 1tp

DEPENDABILITY

You can confidently depend on us to carry out your every wish in choice of appointments. Good taste and quiet dignity prevails no matter how simple the ceremony.

MAREK-BURNS FUNERAL HOME

PHONE 546

HARD FREEZE DUE TO HIT CAMERON FRIDAY

Freezing temperatures were forecast for Cameron and vicinity Friday and Friday night.

The coldest weather of the year was forecast as Richard Hester, local government observer, informed the Daily Herald.

The noon forecast from the Fort Worth Weather Bureau was as follows: East Texas: Cloudy and rain tonight, colder. Much colder late Friday with strong winds. Protect livestock, automobiles and water pipe

against freezing late Friday and Friday night.

The lowest temperature recorded thus far in Cameron was 28 degrees.

The Fort Worth Weather Bureau announced that a severe snow storm in the Texas Panhandle and Western Oklahoma had been raging all day Thursday.

Rainfall Wednesday .02; Maximum temperature Wednesday 70; Minimum Thursday morning 66.

Mrs. Christine Geisler of Burton was a Cameron visitor Monday. She formerly resided in Milam county.

L. A. Swanzy of Ben Arnold was a business visitor in Cameron on Tuesday.

SEE THE STARS AS THEY REALLY ARE!

The YOUNGEST PROFESSION

VIRGINIA WEIDLER
EDWARD ARNOLD
JOHN CARROLL • PORTER



Screen Play by George Oppenheimer, Charles Lederer and Leonard Spigelgass • Based Upon the Book by Lillian Day • Directed by Edward Buzzell • Produced by D. F. Zeldman

THE CAMERON THEATRE
THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16 AND 17



Cameron Theatre

Thursday and Friday, December 16 and 17
"YOUNGEST PROFESSION"
Virginia Weidler and Edward Arnold

Saturday, December 18

"TORNADO"

Chester Morris and Nancy Kelly

Sunday and Monday, December 19 and 20

"PHANTOM OF THE OPERA"

Nelson Eddy and Susanna Foster

Tuesday, December 21

"RIGHT MAN"

Alan Ladd

Wednesday, December 22

"SALUTE FOR THREE"

Betty Jane Rhodes and McDonald Carey

Thursday and Friday, December 23 and 24

"HOLY MATRIMONY"

Monty Woolley and Gracie Fields

Milam Theatre

Friday and Saturday, December 17 and 18

"ROBINHOOD OF THE RANGE"

Charles Starrett

Sunday, December 19

"POWERS GIRL"

George Murphy and Anne Shirley

SMASHING action! WHIRLWIND thrills!

Drama as irresistibly powerful as the tornado that brings you one of the greatest climaxes ever filmed!



Starring
CHESTER MORRIS-KELLY
and Bill Henry • Gwen Kenyon
Joe Sawyer • Marie McDonald
A PARAMOUNT PICTURE

MILAM THEATRE
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18

JUSTICE DELIVERED WITH EITHER HAND!

With a pair of six-shooters he balanced the Scales of Justice!



CHARLES STARRETT

ROBIN HOOD OF THE RANGE

KAY HARRIS • ARTHUR ARKANSAS • HUMPHREY
and THE JIMMY WAKELY TRIO
A COLUMBIA PICTURE

MILAM THEATRE
FRIDAY AND SATURDAY
DECEMBER 17 AND 18

You Are Cordially Invited To Attend
The Formal Opening of Our

New Floral Shop

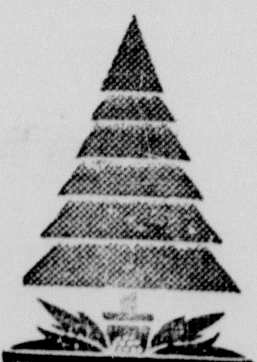
416 NORTH TRAVIS STREET

Sunday, December Nineteenth, Nineteen Hundred
and Forty Three

4 TO 6 P. M.

GLASS The Florist

CAMERON, TEXAS



Personal Mention

We repair any make or model radio.
Parma Radio Service.

Miss Mary Frances Allen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Grady Allen of Cameron, is in Springfield, Mo., where she is taking a two months course in telegraphy. Her many friends here will be glad to have this news of her and her bright prospects for the future.

Mrs. E. M. Arledge of Beaumont arrived in Cameron Thursday to spend a few days visiting friends and relatives. While here she is stopping in the home of her sister in law, Mrs. A. R. O'Neal. From here she will go to Waco to visit with a sister, Mrs. J. W. Harrell. Mrs. Arledge is a former Cameron resident. She will be remembered as the former Miss Eva Terry.

Floyd Raley who has been in the Canal Zone for several years with the United States government, has returned home for a short visit with his father and family, L. W. Raley of Briary. Mr. Raley is a licensed minister of the Baptist faith, one of four sons of the family who are ministers. Much of his work has been of a secret nature and cannot now be discussed. Another brother, Claude M. Raley is in the armed services and now in Persia.

Mrs. Marvin Charles of Tracy was a business visitor in Cameron Friday.

Mrs. Fred Reno and daughter returned home Thursday from the Newton Memorial Hospital.

We don't experiment with your radio—We repair it—You pay less for our service. Any make radio.
Parma Radio Service.

Capt. and Mrs. Frank V. Mondrik and daughter are spending a few days with his mother, Mrs. Frank C. Mondrik. Capt. Mondrik is stationed at

Mrs. Earl Knight returned to Cameron last night for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Knute Noey. She has been living in Temple, while her husband was stationed at Camp Hood. She is the former Miss Beatrice Noey.

Judge and Mrs. Jeff T. Kemp have received announcement of the wedding of her relative, that of James Sam Mewhinney, Jr., U. S. N. R., to Miss Louise Rossiter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rossiter, the wedding taking place October 22, 1943, at La Plate, Maryland. They are at home Beverly Parks apartment, Alexandria, Va. Both the parents and son are well known in Milam county, having lived for a number of years at Buckholts, and have been regular visitors with relatives and friends in Cameron.

Sgt. A. J. Moore has been spending his furlough with his mother, Mrs. Emma Moore and other relatives and friends. Jack enlisted in the Cavalry in 1940, was stationed at Fort Bliss, was later sent to Camp White, Oregon, in the Infantry. He holds a responsible post at Sgt. Major in the personnel of the 363 Infantry Regiment.

S. L. Goodwin and family of Del Valley were in Cameron Tuesday on business.

J. D. Kornegay of Bethlehem was a Cameron visitor Friday.

Pfc. James A. Cryer returned to his base in San Antonio Friday after a short furlough visiting his parents here.

Miss Maxine Baker, County Health Nurse for Milam County, attended a three days meeting of the Nurses organization held in Houston this week.

O. L. Hines of Davilla was a business visitor on Monday.

Mrs. Bob Kirk and family took a business trip to Austin Friday.

Bailey Jones and family of Freeport are visiting friends and relatives in Cameron.

B. R. Mauldin of Buckholts was a Cameron visitor Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Vaughn Hickman have returned to Cameron after having been gone for a while. He has been in the army of the United States, but has recently received a discharge. She is the former Miss Nadine Weems.

Cpl. and Mrs. Julian Ray Harris of Topeka, Kansas, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Tindall over the holidays.

Tom Strasner of Milano was a business visitor in Cameron Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Nelson announce the birth of a son, born on November 15. He has been named Bradford Nelson, the mother is the former Miss Loreen Dodson of Cameron. The baby was born on Honolulu, in the Hawaiian Islands. Mrs. Nelson left Cameron in March of this year to join her husband who has been employed by the government in the Islands.

Miss Lois Hovis who has been an operative patient in the Newton Memorial Hospital, is rapidly improving and was able to go to her home Friday.

Mrs. Ernie Edmonds of Burlington is visiting friends and relatives in Cameron.

Roy Matthews of Rockdale was a business visitor in Cameron Tuesday.

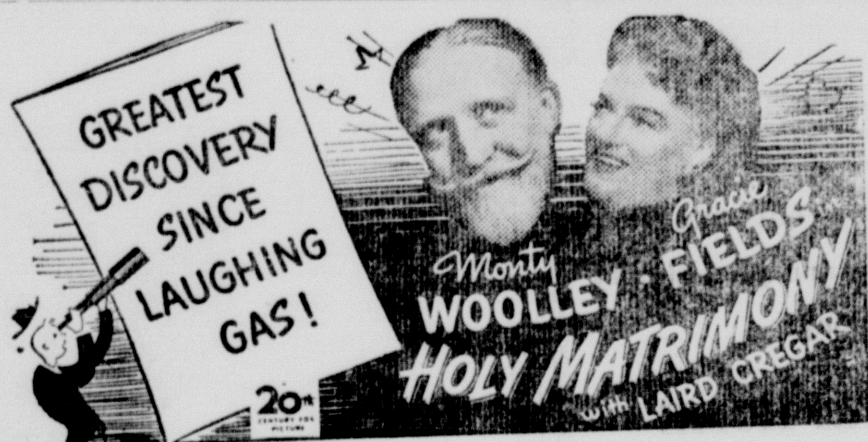
Mrs. Will Inge of Rogers was a business visitor Monday.

Mrs. George Blackstock of Bryant Station was a business visitor Monday.

Jack Caperton formerly of Cameron left Tuesday night for San Diego, where he will be in the United States Marines. His wife and daughter, Debora, will remain at their home in Snyder.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Fritz and family of South Elm were Cameron visitors Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Schiller of Joplin, Mo., are visiting relatives in Cameron. He is serving in the army.



CAMERON THEATRE
THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, DECEMBER 23 AND 24



During the holidays,
please use Long Distance only
if the call is vital.

War's in a hurry
and it can't wait...
not even for
the holidays.

SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE CO.



WAR NEEDS THE WIRES

BUY WAR BONDS

AMERICANS SPREADING RUIN OVER GERMANY

American airmen were spreading ruin over Germany again Tuesday as the heavy fortress ships of the air went again over northwest Germany.

Marauder mediums were over German air fields in Holland and for the first time in 8 days the air was being taken to the Reich.

The German radio said that a number of towns along the coast were attacked.

General Arnold, head of the American air forces said that the coming assaults upon Hitler's Europe will be fearful and terrible.

The Red armies were gaining at Kiev and the British 8th Army was smashing all German counter attacks in Italy.

General George Patton, old blood

and guts whose 7th Army wiped out the Axis in Sicily, has shown up in Cairo with a large number of staff officers. Belief was spreading he may lead the invasion of the Balkans.

NORMA WILLINGHAM BECOMES THE BRIDE OF JIMMIE ANGELL, JR.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Willingham announce the marriage of their daughter Norma to Jimmie Angell, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Angell of Cameron.

The ceremony took place in Palestine at First Baptist church at 7:00 o'clock Saturday evening, December 11, with Rev. D. D. Somerall officiating.

The only attendants were Daisy Hembree, who acted as bridesmaid, and Wayne Blount who acted as best man.

The bride wore a Navy blue suit with white accessories. Her corsage was a white carnation.

After a short wedding trip they will make their home indefinitely in Palestine.

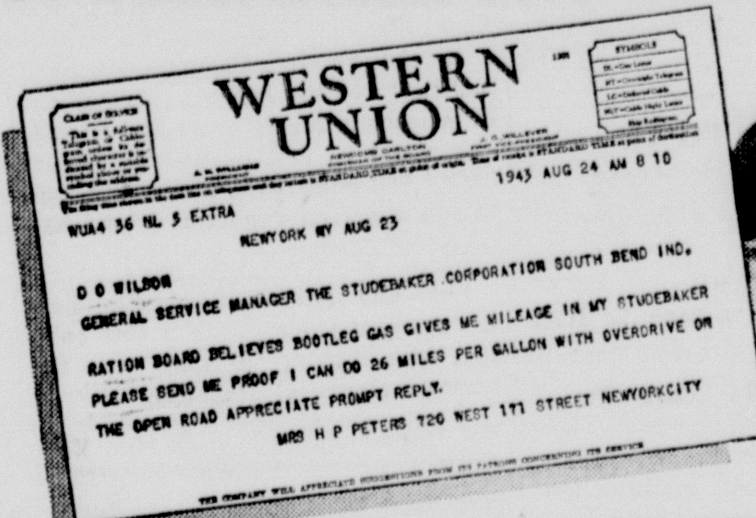
He is now employed with an oil company.

Mrs. Conn Isaacs of Rockdale was a Cameron visitor Friday.



CAMERON THEATRE
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 22

STUDEBAKER GAS ECONOMY SURPRISES HER RATION BOARD



New proof that used Studebakers
are a stand-out wartime buy

Keep your car up to par with Studebaker service

Drive in frequently and have your car inspected, no matter what make it is. If adjustments or repairs seem necessary, you'll be given a check list of what needs to be done. Efficient mechanics will do the work quickly and at moderate cost. Come in now.

MRS. PETERS, who signed the telegram above, was challenged by her ration board to prove she could get 26 miles per gallon with her Studebaker Champion.

So a carefully supervised test of her Studebaker was made and submitted to the board. The test showed even better mileage—and the result was that Mrs. Peters' "B" ration was renewed. If you need a more economical car for your essential driving, buy a used Studebaker. But don't wait too long. They're getting scarce because of big demand.

MICHALKA MOTOR COMPANY

201 SOUTH TRAVIS

PHONE 507



WARNING

Do Not Shoot Fireworks In Fire Limits

During the Holidays it is vital to safety that the law prohibiting the shooting of Fireworks in the Fire Limits be enforced.

I ask your co-operation in carrying out the instructions of the City Council that the city be protected against Fire Hazards.

Shooting of fire works in the business district is prohibited by law and creates hazards and annoys shoppers. You are respectfully requested to refrain from such practice this year as has been done in the past.

DAN LUNSFORD

CITY MARSHAL



CAMERON THEATRE
TUESDAY DECEMBER 21



WHEN Dr. Wade turned away from the telephone his face was grave. Sara, his wife, came into the living-room quickly. She had been standing in the hall, listening.

"Hugh, you can't go! You can't! It's Christmas and the children are all coming home, and oh, it will simply ruin all our plans!"

"Now, now," Dr. Wade said. He slipped off his house jacket and moved around the tree that sparkled with gay ornaments and bright tinsel and strings of popcorn. From the closet he brought his overcoat and overshoes and his cap with the fur-lined earflaps. Sara watched him desperately. Once she glanced toward the window. Snow hissed against the glass. Wind howled about the eaves.

Dr. Wade stood by the door and drew on his gloves and picked up his bag. He looked down at his small wife whose hair was streaked

FATHERS GET RESPITE UNDER NEW DRAFT LAW

Pre-Pearl Harbor fathers have been placed at the bottom of the list of prospective selectees for the armed forces of the army as President Roosevelt signed the bill recently enacted by Congress.

The bill changes things but little for the fathers but does go to great length to put the draft machinery free of the War Manpower Commission. Confusion has been rampant since War Manpower Chief Paul V. McNutt issued his "fight or work" order.

The bill while promising no occupational deferments gives jurisdiction in appeal cases to the Appeal Boards located in the plant areas.

This regulation has been in effect for some time, but is reiterated in the bill just signed. Clarification will be made when instructions are received by local boards.

Briefly here are the main provisions

of the new bill:

1. Lodges full draft authority in the hands of the President and the director of selective service, an officer previously subject to McNutt's general manpower directives, both civilian and military.

2. Wipes out "occupational" inductions, cancelling the manpower commission's "work or fight" order which made men in some occupations non-deferable regardless of family status.

3. Creates a five-member medical commission, appointed by the President, to review military physical and mental standards to see if they can be lowered enough to pick up some 4-F's.

4. Gives draft appeal boards at the place of employment authority to pass on occupational deferments for so-called essential workers.

5. Registrants who want to know their draft outlook can arrange through local boards to have their army physical examination in advance of an induction notice. The results of that examination, however,

will not be binding when a regular draft notice is issued.

Capt. L. W. Raley is Wounded; With Fifth Army Now In Italy

Capt. L. W. Raley, Jr., Chaplain, cued them. As the car sped around a corner in the street of the village a with the American Fifth Army in Italy, has been wounded, according to information received by his wife, the former Miss Alice Fanning of Cameron.

L. W. Raley, Sr., of Briary, father of Capt. Raley, was in Cameron Saturday. He said his son was wounded as he brought three wounded soldiers from the front line. Standing near the battle line he saw the soldiers fall and jumped into a jeep and reshell exploded and wounded Capt. Raley in the right leg.

Mr. Raley said the wound is not serious and Capt. Raley wrote his wife immediately to tell her not to worry.

CHURCH NOTICE

There will be a Christmas Pageant entitled "Follow the Star" presented at the First Baptist Church in Cameron on Sunday, December 19, at 8:00 o'clock p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Daniels accompanied by H. G. Boedeker visited in Brenham Sunday.

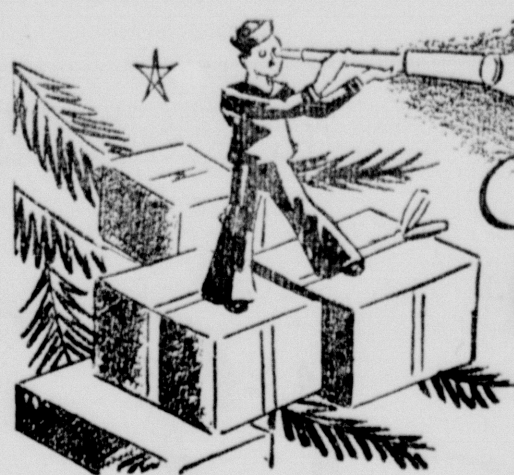
Mrs. Ida Boetler Gregory of Buckholts, has moved into her new home recently purchased, on North Travis Street, and has with her two sisters, Mrs. Anderson and Miss Nellie Boetler of Freeport. Mrs. Gregory and Mrs. Anderson are widows of former Methodist ministers. Cameron is glad to welcome these sisters to make their home here in the future.

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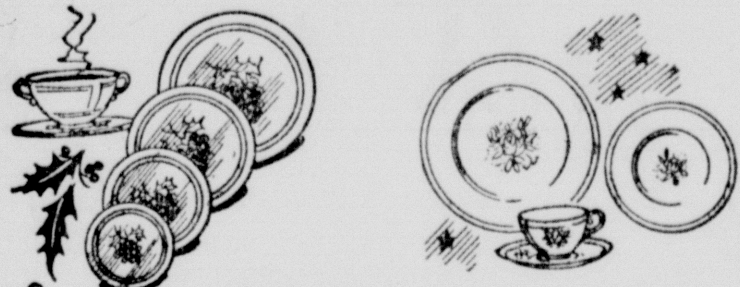
MAREK-BURNS FUNERAL HOME

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Christmas Gifts

Western Auto Associate Store



DINNERWARE SETS

20 Piece Lu-Ray and Pastel set \$4.40

32 Piece set \$7.75

SPECIAL—32 piece Dinnerware set—For only \$3.45

OVENWARE SET

32 Piece Ovenware set \$5.55

32 Piece Dinnerware set \$5.95

32 Piece Dinnerware set \$6.95

GENUINE PYREX

3 Piece Mixing Bowl 95c

3 Piece Ovenware Mixing set \$1.19

1 Electric Mixer \$7.30

Assortment of Individual Patterns and Bowls; Cups and Saucers and Plates in individual patterns.

Pen and Pencil Sets

STRATFORD Pen and Pencil Sets—

\$2.49

Bill Folds, genuine leather—

\$1.10

Full line of O'CEDAR MOPS

RELINERS—Plentiful stock.

Car Items

Spark Plugs—Champion, Wizard and A-C.

Electric Fence Batteries.

Tires

600X16

\$16.40

Steering Wheel Covers—

69c

Conversion Kit

Conversion Kit to change early model cars to Seal Beam headlights.

\$4.60 up



WIZARD BATTERIES

Wizard Battery 12 months guarantee \$4.60 Exchange

Wizard Battery 24 months guarantee \$6.85 Exchange

Wizard Battery 30 months guarantee \$7.30 Exchange

CORDUROY JACKETS

EXTRA FINE Dress Corduroy Jackets—

\$6.45

Sweaters \$1.95

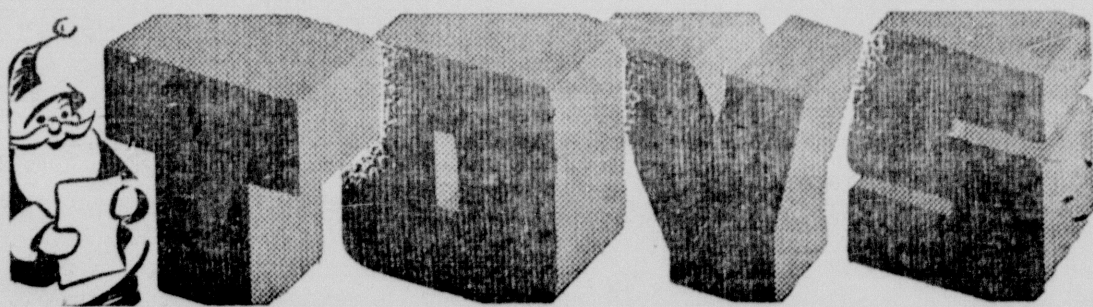
Tennis Racket \$6.98
Work and Dress Gloves 25c up
Padlocks 35c

ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES

Largest selection in Central Texas. Plenty of Lamp Cord and Wire.

Auto Pumps and Jacks, Plenty of each.

EXTRA! EXTRA! SCOTTIES \$1.65



Construction Train Sets \$1.95

PATCH WORK PUZZLE, 5 for 98c

Black Boards \$1.10

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Army Nurse Kit \$1.98

ABC Blocks 49c up

Pastry Set 99c



Scooter

\$2.00



Genuine Horsman Dolls

\$2.37

to

\$4.25

Western Auto Associate Store

CPL. HARRY G. HARAWAY, Owner

CHAS. J. BROWN, Manager

The young wife lay, her face white and drawn.

with gray, whose eyes were anxious and desperate, but proud and loving. A smile rested lightly on his lips as he waited.

Sara bit her lip and looked away. When she looked back again her eyes held nothing but affectionate reproach. "You—you—" she said, and stood tiptoe and kissed him.

Dr. Wade backed his coupe out of the garage. He was glad that he had taken the precaution to put chains on the night before. With a storm like this the street department would be hours getting the roads clear.

In the village Dr. Wade stopped and went into Cy Anderson's store to make some purchases. An hour later he stopped the coupe at the foot of the logging road that led up to Bald Ridge. Even with chains it would be impossible to go farther with the coupe. So he produced snowshoes from the rear compartment of the coupe, strapped them on, tied a canvas pack on his back, tucked his kit under one arm and started up the road.

The storm had increased rather than lessened in fury. Frequently—more frequently than he liked to admit—Dr. Wade had to pause to rest, turning his back to the wind.

It was two hours later when Dr. Wade saw the blurred outline of the cabin. Ordinarily the trip would have taken him less than thirty minutes. He knocked and the door opened at once. He stepped inside and leaned against the wall, breathing heavily. Slowly he became aware of the warmth. Life came back to his muscles. He looked up and smiled.

Young Brad Jones was watching him, wide-eyed, dumb gratitude in his face. Behind him his young wife lay on the bed near the stove, her face white and drawn, biting her lips to keep from crying out.

Dr. Wade had delivered hundreds of babies, but this one was different. It was different because it was Christmas and a storm raged outside, and his children were coming home and he wasn't going to be there to greet them. It was different because he had stopped in Anderson's store and bought some things that brought tears to Mrs. Jones' eyes, and made it impossible for young Brad to speak.

It was late afternoon when Dr. Wade started for home. The storm had abated, but the wind was colder, sharper. Now that it was over the doctor's thought leaped ahead, to his own home and his own children. He was sorry he hadn't been there to greet them. He and Sara had planned so many surprises.

Sara met him at the door. She helped him off with his coat and brought his slippers from before the fire. Her eyes were shining.

"The children didn't get here. The storm held up the train. They just 'phoned from the station. They'll be here any minute, and we'll both be on hand to greet them. Oh, it's going to be the best Christmas ever!"

Dr. Wade smiled and thought of the expressions on the faces of young Brad Jones and his wife. "Yes," he said, "the best Christmas ever." And his chin fell forward on his chest and he slept.

Sara looked at him. "Oh, you—you—" she said lovingly and tiptoed out of the room.

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JEFFERSON B. WHITE
Editor and Publisher

WANT-ADS

I HAVE the turnips and greens. Do you want to can them on the halves? See Bennie Mundine. Pleasant Hill Community, South of Rockdale, Texas. 36-1tc

FREE!—If excess acid causes you pains of Stomach Ulcers, Indigestion, Heartburn, Belching, Bloating, Nausea, Gas Pains, get free sample, Udga, at Dusek Pharmacy. 27-10tp

LOST—Jersey cow, wearing halter, weight about 850 pounds, has short horns, just outside Ben Arnold. Frank Hubnik, Rt. 1, Cameron. 34-5t

FOR SALE—Lot in Buckholts, \$100. Mrs. M. A. Carter. 36-12tp

WANT—To buy small black land farm with some timber, on school bus line to Cameron. Want to see owner only. See Cameron Herald. 35-2tp

WANTED TO BUY—Ear corn and cane hay. C. W. Hudson, phone 621— 36-1tp

FOR SALE—My home. I am no longer physically able to care for it. Pearl Clement 35-tp

Admiration Coffee



Matula Grocery

CAPERTON'S

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—BUY NOW—GIFTS FOR
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Vases of every size and description
imaginable, beautiful colors—

29c to \$1.49

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Plates, bowls, Vases, Jelly Dishes,
Candle sticks, relish dishes and one
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CHINA WARE

Bowls, colorful, useful, large and
small—

10c to 39c

Cups and saucers, several patterns to
choose from, Cup and Saucers 29c

RAYONS

PANTIES	BRASSIERS	SLIPS
98c	49c	\$1.98
GOWNS	PAJAMAS	
\$2.25	\$4.95	

Practical Gifts

Avoid the rush, select and
mail your Christmas cards now
—We have the largest, the prettiest
selection we have ever had
—See ours before you make a
selection!

Boxed Toilet Sets—

29c to \$1.00

Boxed Stationary—

59c to \$1.00

Boxed Handkerchiefs—

39c to \$1.00

Dresser Sets—

69c-\$2.25-\$6.95

Towel Sets, Wrapped—

\$1.49

Pillow Cases—

\$1.69 pair

Military Sets—

29c up

Testaments and Bibles—

79c to \$5.95

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Trucks, Jeeps, Tanks, Trucks, Guns,
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Colored Tissue Paper10c

Printed Paper10c

Tags and Seals5c

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NOTICE

This is to give Notice to the public that cotton receipt No. 159991 issued in the name of L. F. Williams on the 17th day of November 1943, by the Cameron Compress Company, for ONE BALE OF COTTON delivered by him to that Company, has been lost, and that the undersigned is the legal owner and holder of said cotton, and the public is warned not to accept said receipt or to deal with same in the hands of any other person.

L. F. WILLIAMS.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a doll, a set of knives, forks and spoons, and an aid hostess suit.

With love,

Kay Mondrik.



B. F. Stewart Grocery

Dear Santa Claus:

Will you please bring me a football and a train? There will be a plate of cake for you on the table by the Christmas tree.

With love,
Robert Lee Biskup.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a small doll, chinle house coat, a pair of house shoes, and a set of dishes, and some fruit, nuts and candy. Please be sure and think of all other children.

With love,
Evelyn Armstrong.

Admiration Coffee



Whatley Grocery

Dear Santa Claus:

My name is Charlotte. Will you bring me a doll, some tinkler toys and a big ball. How are you? Is it cold?

Your friend,
Charlotte Collins.

LOST—One bay mare 8 years old, one brown mare smooth mouth, and one horse colt two years old. Ben Kennon. 36-1f

In Cameron its always the Herald.

Admiration Coffee



Esslinger & Killen

Dear Santa Claus:

My name is Bobby Kilgore. I want a football, a model airplane some marbles and fruit, candy and nuts.

Your friend,
Bobby Kilgore

FOR SALE—Three good reconditioned water pumps. Abner Ingram, Jr. 36-1c

Admiration Coffee



Green & Boedeker

What do *You* like about Coffee

Blend?

Blend covers a multitude of personal tastes—and sometimes as many different coffees! Ten chances to one you couldn't tell a Manizales from a Medellin. Or a Guatemala from a Bucaramanga. Or a Sevilla from something else. And you needn't blush from ignorance either. Only a relatively few people in all the world can. They're the coffee blenders.

In the skilled, experienced hands of the men who blend Admiration, these expensive coffees—and many others—are prized, precious materials. One is used here, sparingly perhaps, for body and richness; another there for mellowness; others in varying measure for aroma or flavor or strength and so on. When blended together under the Admiration formula—that's it, you know why Admiration is Texas' Largest Seller! This blend of the very finest green coffees, roasted to an exquisite flavor, and always fresh, will win your applause at the first sip. Try a pound today.

TUNE IN PARKER WILLSON AND HIS COFFEE GRINDERS,
12:30 NOON WEEKDAYS, LONE STAR CHAIN

Duncan's Admiration Coffee



DUNCAN COFFEE COMPANY • HOUSTON, TEXAS

MILINDY ANN HAIRSTON DIES AT MARLOW SUNDAY

Funeral services for Mrs. Milindy Ann Dykes Hairston 94, native of Texas, who died at the home of her son, John W. Hairston in the Marlow community 3 miles east of Cameron at 12:10 p. m. Sunday, December 12, 1943, were held Monday.

Mrs. Hairston was born December 1, 1849, in Texas, the daughter of Mark and Dianna Dykes and was married to Thomas M. Hairston on Oct. 25, 1868. She was the mother of 10 children, three of whom survive as follows: John W. Hairston of Marlow, Allen Hairston of Truett, Texas; and Mrs. A. D. Cannon of Goose Creek. Nineteen grand children and 21 great grand children survive.

Mrs. Nannie Hairston of Rockdale, a sister, survives and one brother, Riley Dykes of Brownwood.

Funeral services were held from the Marek-Burns Funeral Home in Cameron Monday afternoon, December 13, 1943, with Rev. H. E. Crone, Baptist Minister of Rockdale, conducting. Interment was made in the cemetery at Sandy Creek with the Marek-Burns Funeral Home directing arrangements.

Mrs. Hairston had lived in the home of her son, John W. Hairston at Marlow for a number of years and in the period of her declining health had the care and attention which could come from only those who loved her best. News of her death came with great sorrow to the people here. Few such pioneers are now living and the generation of men and women who saw the wilderness become a settled country belong to a race which is distinct and unique for its character and heroism.

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The bride wore a Navy blue suit with white accessories. Her corsage was a white carnation.

After a short wedding trip they will make their home indefinitely in Palestine.

He is now employed with an oil company.

Mrs. Conn Isaacs of Rockdale was a Cameron visitor Friday.

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GLASS, THE FLORIST (continued from page one)

interests here. They made friends rapidly and it was only a matter of time when their place in the community would be measured by an esteem which led them to make their first investment in property here. Accordingly they purchased the Reed Floral Shop, then known as the Cameron Florist. This was on May 1, 1935. The business has grown and from the combination residence and green house operated for 8 years or North Fannin street near the school plants, they now are to realize upon efforts which are so meritorious as to bring the rich reward of progress, and into this new home go dreams and plans and ambitions.

The new home is located convenient to churches, hospitals and funeral homes in the city. The interior has been redone in off white. The store is located in the great living room which has been furnished in well appointed fixtures, notably a new Kosch Floral box of black onyx design. This color scheme is carried out in the furnishings, as well as the display window which is 8 feet 8 inches long and 6 feet high. Leading from the store to the upper portion of the home is a sweeping stairway with rich mahogany colored balustrade. The home was built in the days when space was architectural excellence.

Adjoining the store is the work room which in turn leads to the loading vestibule, a spacious intake which affords privacy and greater storage.

South of the old mansion grounds have been purchased on which two modern green houses are to be built. They will be longer and wider than the old one on North Fannin. A provagating house will be constructed later. In the spring the old home on North Fannin will be moved to the grounds and will face north on West 3rd street to become a garage apartment for rent.

A conservatory has been provided from a south porch just off the main entrance. The feature is highly beneficial for pot plants and for their display.

The floral shop and home faces west on North Travis and on Highway 77 a wide street with ample parking space. Many are expected Sunday afternoon from 4 to 6 and the invitation is to the public. Mr. and

Mrs. Glass will be most happy to receive you.

Glass the Florist are members of the Florist Telegraph Deliver Association, a world order among florists in all lands.

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Mr. Holland was born in Tennessee on March 10, 1873. He came to Texas at the age of 20, and had spent a half century in the state, a pioneer who saw the Lone Star in the making. He was married to Miss Minnie Eickenhorst in 1898, and to them were born 5 children.

Surviving are his wife, one daughter, Mrs. C. W. Bailey of Houston and four sons, Lewis Holland of Waco, Charlie Holland now in the United States army serving somewhere overseas, Bruce Holland of Cameron and Rowland Holland of Cameron. Nine grand children, and two sisters also survive.

Rev. C. W. Sanders, pastor of the First Baptist church of Cameron conducted the services, and the Marek Burns Funeral had charge of arrangements.

Pall bearers were: Frank Walzel, John Bryan, Otto Reimer, Ernest Hodges, Ernest Williams and Bert Nicholson.

A Happy and Prosperous New Year

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CAMERON THEATRE
THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, DECEMBER 23 AND 24

NEWS FROM HANOVER

Elton Fisher of Ennis is here visiting friends and relatives.

Mrs. Dave Angell of Walkers Creek and daughter Oleta Noack of Cameron were guests in the home of Mrs. Joe Robinson on Monday.

A bridal shower was given in the home of Mrs. Carl Holley last Saturday evening honoring Mrs. Alex Kornegay, Jr., a recent bride, formerly Miss Marie Shafer. The honoree received a number of beautiful and practical gifts. Chicken sandwiches, cookies and hot coffee were served. There were about thirty five guests present.

Mrs. A. F. Robinson and daughter, Mrs. Carrie Ditto have returned from Louisiana, where they spent three weeks visiting in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Lucille Starr and family.

Harold and Perry Fisher made a business trip to Houston this week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. York of Houston were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alex

Kornegay last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Holley of Rockdale were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Holley last Sunday.

Miss Christine Harmus spent last week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gunnels of Liberty.

Miss Valeria Holley and Christine Harmous attended church at Gause on Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Fisher and daughter, Vera, visited friends and relatives in Houston a few days ago.

Mrs. Leland Gaston, formerly Miss Billie Davidson is the proud mother of a fine son, born last Thursday at the Cameron Hospital. Her husband is in overseas service.

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Cameron Theatre

Thursday and Friday, December 16 and 17
"YOUNGEST PROFESSION"
Virginia Weidler and Edward Arnold

Saturday, December 18

"TORNADO"

Chester Morris and Nancy Kelly

Sunday and Monday, December 19 and 20

"PHANTOM OF THE OPERA"

Nelson Eddy and Susanna Foster

Tuesday, December 21

"RIGHT MAN"

Alan Ladd

Wednesday, December 22

"SALUTE FOR THREE"

Betty Jane Rhodes and McDonald Carey

Thursday and Friday, December 23 and 24

"HOLY MATRIMONY"

Monty Woolley and Gracie Fields



Milam Theatre

Friday and Saturday, December 17 and 18

"ROBINHOOD OF THE RANGE"

Charles Starrett

Sunday, December 19

"POWERS GIRL"

George Murphy and Anne Shirley



CAMERON THEATRE
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 22

THREE GIRLS ON HIS MIND!
One in his heart...
One in his eye...
One in his hair...
and all three know he's THE RIGHT MAN!



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TUESDAY DECEMBER 21

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and The Power's long-stemmed American Beauties
GEORGE MURPHY • ANNE SHIRLEY
CAROLE LANDIS • DENNIS DAY



MILAM THEATRE
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19

Gifts For Wounded Soldiers Is Christmas Privilege For 400 In Milam County; Red Cross Is Asking You to Have a Share in Xmas Cheer

Milam county is asked to contribute only 400 Christmas gifts from the quota for this area for wounded soldiers in the McCloskey hospital and the Camp Hood hospital under direction of the Red Cross.

These gifts are to be wrapped and bear the names of the person who gives them. On Christmas morning the gifts will be distributed to men wounded and recovering in the hospitals, some of whom were out on the battlefronts last Christmas and had no opportunity to receive gifts.

Gifts such as handkerchiefs, shaving lotion, cologne, ash trays, paper back books, blitz cloths, cigarettes are approved.

If you want to have a share in this worthy thing, call Mrs. F. C. Fahrenndorf, in charge of the Red Cross, or better still, go and buy the gifts and wrap them, write your name on the outside of the wrapper and you will make a wounded soldier happy.

The Herald has been asked to bring this matter to the attention of the people. The suggestion is made that if you do not have time you could send a check to Mrs. Fahrenndorf or to The Herald for any amount you wish and gifts such as listed could be bought and wrapped with names written on the packages from those who gave funds.

The final date for these gifts is December 15. A total of 6000 gifts are to be given in this area. Arthur Hugh Baskin has asked the following church leaders to assist: Mrs. W. G. Gillis, Presbyterian; Mrs. Winnie Wiltliff, Methodist; Miss Winnie Henderson, Baptist; Frank Reid, First Christian; Father Duda, St. Monica's; A. J. Frisby at the Gospel Tabernacle, Coleman Duncum at First Church of Christ; Charlie Holstein at the Church of Christ at the intersection of High ways 36 and 77.

We will not fail in this appeal. To participate will be most inexpensive and what a privilege to cheer a wounded soldier whose only glimpse of Christmas has been into the skies over battlefields red with the sacrifice of his own blood. Many of these boys have been our guests. Act today. Buy a gift and wrap it. If you wish, send a check and let someone else buy the gift, but it would be preferable if you bought and wrapped it, then it becomes a more personal gift. Whatever you do, remember act today.

IS AVIATION CADET

Perrin Field—Aviation Cadet Cecil V. Drake, 21, of Cameron has arrived at this Army Air Forces Training Command station for basic pilot training.

Cadet Drake, whose wife lives at N. Rusk street, will have nine weeks of air and ground training here before he goes to an advanced flying school to complete his pilot's education.

DECEMBER IN HISTORY

December 13, 1827—Colonel Chas. A. Lindbergh begins good will flight to South America.

Mayor E. A. Camp of Rockdale was a business visitor in Cameron Tuesday.

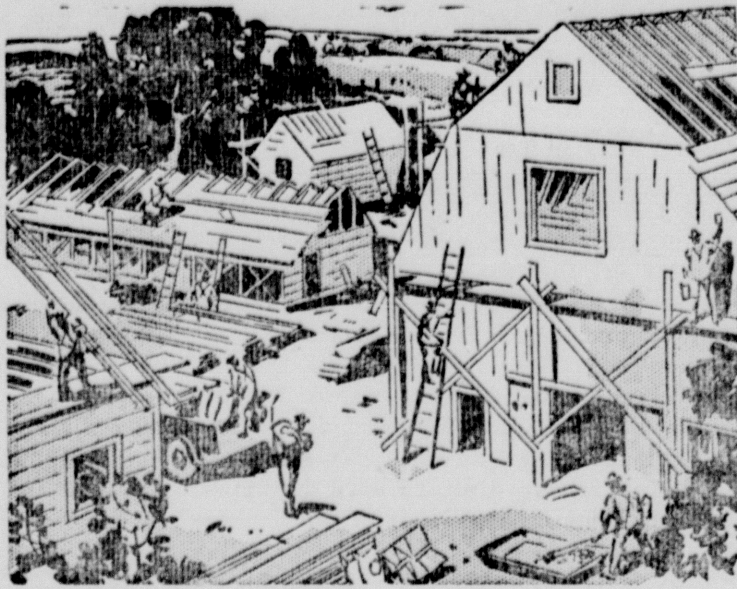
WEATHER

Maximum temperature Monday 64. Minimum Tuesday morning 45. Noon forecast, Fort Worth Weather Bureau, East Texas; cloudy, colder tonight, near freezing in Central portion. Wednesday cloudy and increasing cold.

Mrs. R. B. Glenn of Jones Prairie was a business visitor in Cameron Friday.

Cpl. and Mrs. Roma Baskin of Jackson Mississippi and Mrs. LeRoy Wheeler and son, Jay of Three Rivers, were visitors this last week in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Baskin of Buckholts.

Sgt. and Mrs. Wilburn Shuffield are the proud parents of a fine baby boy, born Friday morning in the Newton Memorial Hospital.



If It's Available

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To win the war as quickly as possible, and to preserve the American Way of Life forever against the schemes and ambitions of all Hitlers, Hirohitos and other such dictators, we are devoting the fullest possible measure of our strength, our facilities and the skill and experience of our entire organization.

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Henry Kuehn and Mable Rmstrong.
T. Dawson and Jessie Mae Foster.
D. S. Gray and Mrs. Mattie Hencke.
Erindo Lugo and Ynes Amaya.
Jesse C. Kinsfather and Mrs. Annie Lee Johnson.
Frank William Owens and Ada Pearl Cavit.

DEEDS

Gerald M. Johnson et ux to Cecil Criswell et ux, lots 1 and 2 in block 5 of town of Buckholts, \$600 and other considerations.

Cecil Criswell et ux to Frank Ruzicka et ux, lots 1 and 2 in block T of town of Buckholts, \$250, and other considerations.

E. T. Kemp to Juliette Franklin, 4 acres of the D. A. Thompson grant, \$400.

J. W. Perry to Mrs. Juliette H. Franklin, 3 acres of the D. A. Thompson league, \$200.

J. W. Perry to Juliette H. Franklin, 8 acres of the D. A. Thompson league, \$800.

Mrs. S. A. Williams et al to Juliette Franklin, lot 9 in block 2 in City of Rockdale, \$65.

N. M. Bullock et ux to Mrs. A. C. Franklin, lot 1 in block 2 and lots 3 to 12 inclusive of block 3 of the Hamilton-Rasberry addition to City of Rockdale, \$450.

George W. Graves et als to QC deed to D. A. Davidson, lots 5, 6, 7 and 8 in block 2 and lots 7, 8, 15 and 16 in block 1 of Garner and Wells addition to City of Rockdale, valuable cash considerations.

H. L. Green et ux to W. W. Gandy et al, 1 acre of the W. W. Lewis league \$150.

Grace E. Kine to Fred S. Kine, undivided one fourth interest in 2507 acres of the S. P. Carson and James Stephens surveys, \$1 and other valuable considerations.

Janie Punchard et vir to J. H. Atkinson, three fourth of an acre of land in the D. A. Thompson survey, \$45.

PROBATE COURT

Nov. 24, 1943, Estella B. Nelson appointed guardian of the estate of Tommie Lee Jones and More Jones, minors, bond fixed at \$100. P. W. Davis, R. L. Batte and R. H. McIntosh appointed appraisors.

OIL AND GAS LEASES

Wilbur Clark Roberts to Leonard Culbertson, 7737 acres of the James and Sarah Stevenson survey, \$10.
N. M. Bullock to George Price, 10 acres of land, \$10.

John Hicks et als to Lloyd S. North, 176 acres of the Samuel P. Carson survey, \$10.

Jim Fitzgerald et al to W. H. Garrett, 162 acres of the Joel Arendale & Samuel P. Carson tracts, \$10.

Jack M. Crump et ux to Frank M. Farley, 327 acres of the David Houston and J. C. Walker surveys, \$10.

Emma Crump et vir to W. H. Garrett, 61 acres of the Samuel P. Carson and D. St. Clair surveys, \$10.

Robert Bennett Now On Submarine After Completing Training

Robert J. Bennett, 18, seaman 1/3, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Bennett, 513 N. Houston St., Cameron, has completed basic training at the Submarine School, Submarine Base, New London, Conn., for duty with our growing fleet of underseas fighters.

The new submariner will be entitled to wear the twin dolphin insignia of the submarine service after further experience aboard a submarine during which he must demonstrate to his commanding officer that he is fully qualified to carry out the duties of his rate. The insignia is regarded as a mark of distinction throughout the Navy.

Bennett was a graduate of Yoe High last January and lettered in the band here. He joined the Navy the following month and went to Great Lakes, Ill., for preliminary naval training.

Vince Krupicka of Buckholts was a Cameron visitor Friday.

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR STEVE HOLLAND HELD

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Rev. C. W. Sanders, pastor First Baptist Church, conducted the services and the Marek-Burns Funeral Home directed arrangements.

COLDER TONIGHT

Maximum temperatures Sunday 70; Minimum Monday morning 46.

Noon forecast Fort Worth Weather Bureau: East Texas partly cloudy tonight and Tuesday with scattered showers. Cooler tonight.

Tom Nelson and Mrs. Artie F. McGuire were united in marriage at the home of Judge Jeff T. Kemp at 7:30 o'clock on December 13, 1943. No further information was available.

To the People of this Community:

PLAIN WARNING TO YOU!

Here is a plain warning for you...

"This war will last until 1949 or longer if the home front fails to back up our men in battle!"

Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy.

Buying War Bonds to the point of temporary personal sacrifice is the most direct way you can comply with Secretary Knox's appeal.

"Temporary sacrifice" is the correct phrase because you are only lending your money when you buy War Bonds. This government which never has defaulted on an obligation will pay you back \$4 for every \$3 invested if you hold the bonds for 10 years.

The least you can do is to back the attack with War Bonds today. Buy extra Bonds above your normal Bond buying.

THE EDITOR

Gov. Coke R. Stevenson of Austin came to Cameron Tuesday to visit in the home of Judge and Mrs. Graham Gillis, to see their new grand daughter, Georgia Gillis, daughter of Capt. and Mrs. Billie Gillis, who is here with her mother on a visit in the Gillis home. Mrs. Billie Gillis formerly was Miss Leonore Riley, and was Secretary to Gov. Stevenson while was Lieutenant Governor of Texas, at Austin.

Friends of Mrs. J. H. Burnett will be glad to know that she has returned home from the Newton Memorial Hospital much improved.

Milano Boy Lost at Sea; Edward Baggett Was 1940 Volunteer

News has reached the Daily Herald that Edward Baggett, United States Navy, has been lost at sea.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Baggett of Milano, parents of Edward, have been notified that their son is missing in action and is presumed to be lost. The information did not state whether Baggett was in the Atlantic or Pacific.

Baggett volunteered for service in the Navy 3 years ago and was at home several months ago on furlough from duty at sea with the fleet.

Friends in Milano had received word from him only a few days before the message came that he had been lost at sea.

Cigarettes For Men In Service Bought By Funds From City

Cigarettes—some 100 thousand of them have reached the boys on the battle fronts, the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company has just notified the American Legion in Cameron.

Emmett Streetman, local Legionaire, received a letter from the Reynolds Tobacco Company stating that the first shipment of 40 thousand had been made and that the other shipment was being routed.

Mrs. J. E. Mullinax returned to her home in Cameron Saturday after a short visit with her daughter, Mrs. A. F. Jackson.

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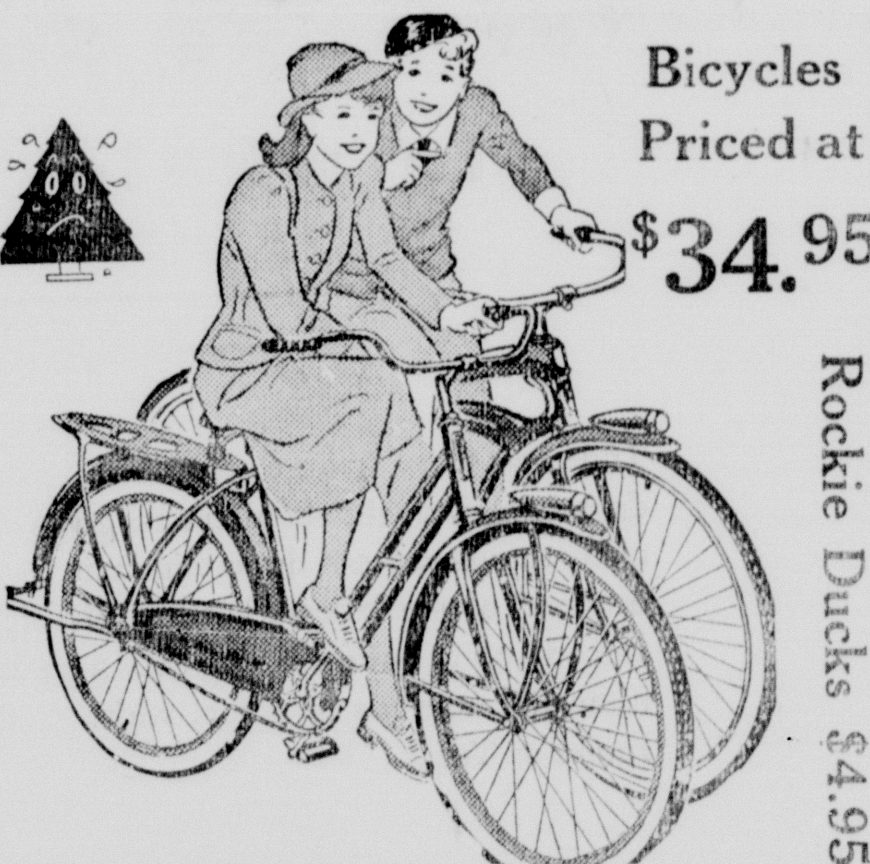
CAMERON THEATRE THURSDAY AND FRIDAY DECEMBER 23 AND 24

Santa Recommends These Christmas GIFTS

Santa Claus has opened his big bag of gifts and left a generous portion of them at our store. These gifts, many of them of the most practicable and durable type, include also the Toys that delight the heart of children. We don't mean the ordinary toys but constructive and durable toys.

Then there are wheel goods, Bicycles, Scooters, Wagons and the like.

Gift Shopping in our show room will make this a Happy Christmas long to be remembered for the aptness as well as the quality of the gifts.



Bicycles
Priced at
\$34.95

Rockie Ducks \$4.95

These Bicycles are always the most welcome of gifts and in these war days what a utility!

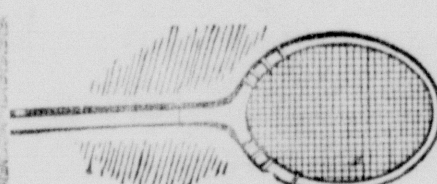


Leather Jackets

The real find in this year of war. Leather Jackets, a gift that recommends itself to all.

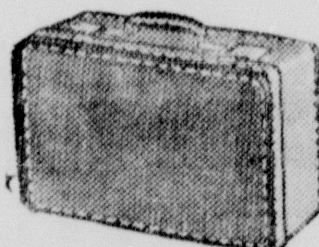
\$8.65 up

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Tennis Rackets

\$3.95 up



Week End Bags

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Games of all Kinds

Fill the lives of the children with happiness and the grown ups as well.

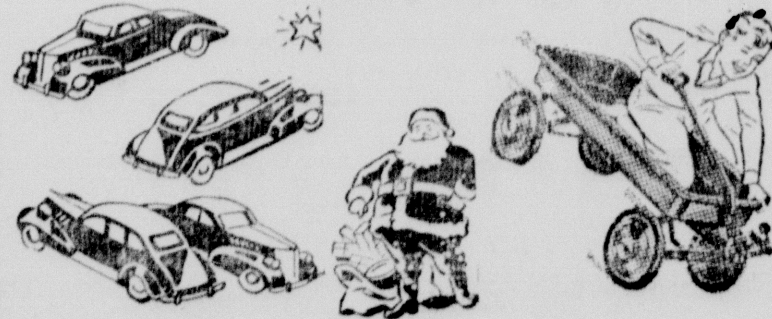
Croquet Sets \$4.25

Badminton Sets \$6.45



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NAZI CLEARED FROM HEIGHTS ON ROUTE

American and British troops of the Fifth army in Italy crashed down the western slopes of Mt. Maggiore and Mt. Camino into the strategic valley of the upper Garigliana river today after wresting the summits of those peaks from the Germans and capturing the strongly fortified villages of Camino, Asquapendola and Cocuzza southwest of Mignano.

Though the steady, savage thrusts of Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark's fighting fifth had cleared the Nazis from the last important heights in this sector of their powerful winter line, including bloody Monastery ridge, the enemy still was resisting fiercely from many scattered strong points.

Latest reports placed British advance units in their sector within a mile and a half of the Garigliano.

From dominating positions on both Mt. Maggiore and Mt. Camino Gen. Clark's guns now command the southern part of the all-important valley between Mignano and Cassino. Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery's veteran Eighth army reported limited advances in the area of the Moro river, where the stream empties into the Adriatic.

Stubborn fighting continued to rage inland around Orsogna, some 10 miles inland, and the German raid reported that Montgomery had launched a strong new assault against enemy positions on the eastern slopes of the towering Maiella mountains west of Sasoli, approximately 15 miles from the Adriatic. The Maiella range rises to a height of near 8,500 feet only 10 miles from Casoli.

It was disclosed that the crack German 65th infantry division had been so badly smashed by Montgomery's advance that Field Marshal Gen. Albert Kesselring had been forced to replace it in the front line.

Continued pouring rain as well as fierce enemy resistance made the Allied advance everywhere a slow, desperate process.

Slowly but surely, Clark's troops were closing in on strategic Mignano, a village of some 2,000, where the Via Casilina tunnels through the mountains into the valleys leading to Rome.

Now In Ireland



CPL. MARTIN K. WEEMS

Cpl. Martin K. Weems entered service a volunteer in September 1940, receiving his basic training at Fort Sam Houston and from there was sent to Camp Claiborne, La.

Cpl. Weems went overseas a year ago. When last heard from he was in Ireland.

Cpl. Weems attended Cameron schools and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Weems of Cameron.

The battle fronts of the world are witnessing heroic service by many young men from Cameron and Cpl. Weems is one among the number.

Taylor Ducks Beat Gatesville 21-0

The Taylor Ducks were Regional Champions again Friday night as they emerged from the game with the Gatesville Hornets.

With Frankie Struska pacing the Ducks the score was 21 to 0 and the Gatesville team, picked by many to win was a poor substitute for the team that stopped the Duck back in early October.

The Gatesville team never threatened at any time during the game.

(An NBC broadcast from Algiers reported advance U. S. units were only one and one half miles from the Camino plain, where tanks could be brought into the battle.)

Nation's Dead Now Totals 28,187; All Casualties 129,422

Casualties in the nation's armed forces since the beginning of the war total 129,422.

Official figures released today show 97,077 casualties in the army, and 32,345 in the navy, marine corps and coast guard. These comprised only the casualties whose families have been notified officially and probably do not include all the losses in the Gilbert islands or the recent fighting in other theatres.

The breakdown of the totals:

Killed: army, 14,919; navy, 10,711; marine corps, 2,241; coast guard 316; total 28,187.

Wounded: army, 34,164; navy, 3,012; marine corps, 2,720; coast guard 78; total 39,974.

Missing: army, 32,814; navy, 8,337; marine corps, 638; coast guard, 44; total 32,833.

Prisoners: army, 24,180; navy, 2,283; marine corps, 1,954; coast guard,

1; total 28,428.

The army added that 1,612 prisoners have died in enemy prison camps, mostly Japanese, and that 17,572 wounded have returned to active duty or been discharged from hospitals.

Gifts for Wounded Soldiers Pour Into Red Cross Rooms

Christmas Gifts for wounded soldiers in McClosky and Camp Hood were pouring into Red Cross headquarters here Tuesday.

Mrs. F. C. Fahrendorf said the number was still short of the quota and appealed to the people to respond in full. Ten Christmas trees have also arrived at the Red Cross room and these will be taken to the hospitals and decorated for the gifts.

The gifts are all wrapped in Christ-

mas papers and ribbons, are very beautiful. Response has been good from churches, the largest coming from the Gospel Tabernacle, pastored by Rev. A. J. Frisby.

The name of First Spiritualist Church in Cameron was omitted from the list yesterday through error Mrs. Gene Muse, leader in the church, said that 14 boys from the church are now in the armed services and the church was entitled to be numbered among contributing bodies.

J. M. Boehner of the J. C. Penney Company, Chairman of the Milam County Chapter, Red Cross, was happy over results of the appeal. He said late Tuesday that complete response is assured.

Allen Varner of Gause was a Cameron visitor Tuesday.

Edwin Marek of Burlington was a business visitor in Cameron Tuesday

WARNING!

TRAFFIC NOTICE

This is to give notice that traffic regulations must now be observed. We must have no traffic accidents or fatalities during the holidays. Our school children are entitled to safety standards in our traffic and it is the intention of the city to see they get it. I will file charges against all traffic violators. Fines are now being assessed. Please do not run stop signs, cut corners, park wrong, speed or in any way violate laws. This means from now on the law will be strictly enforced by extra efforts to detect violators.

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1. Avoid overheating. Keep the house temperature around 72 degrees.
2. Keep all heating equipment in good operating condition; keep it clean and free from all dust particles.
3. Flame on radiant-type room heaters should not be allowed to lick out top of radiants.
4. If you have a gas heater in your fireplace, seal the flue to the extent that the room heat will not go up the chimney, yet leave sufficient space for venting heater.
5. See that windows and doors lock tightly; if possible they should be weather-stripped.
6. Where unvented equipment is used,

a small opening at the top of the window is recommended to help reduce "wall sweating." Window openings should be no wider than necessary for an ample flow of fresh air, otherwise they become heat wasters.

7. At night when windows are open in bedrooms, shut off rest of house to prevent temperatures from dropping so low that more fuel will be needed to build up warmth during the morning hours.

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The custom of sending greeting cards is perhaps the youngest member in the family of Christmas traditions, although the ideal was expressed by the Excelsis Deo of the angels.

Until authorities at the British museum recently discovered a drawing depicting four scenes of holiday celebration—early Victorian style—dated 1842, J. C. Horsley was accredited with having created the first commercial Christmas card in 1843.

The 1842 creation was an elaborate affair. Drawn by W. M. Edgley, it includes scenes of a dinner party—featuring the plum pudding, a group of carol singers, a crowd watching a Punch and Judy show, a panel of silk-hatted and cane-toting ice skaters, dancers doing a Roger de Coverly—the Victorian Conga—and evidence that the poor must not be forgotten.

It is impossible to say whether or not Mr. Horsley was aware of Edgley's masterpiece, but Horsley had a friend, and thereby hangs the tale. Sir Henry Cole, a man with many friends, was confronted by the task of sending them a cheery holiday greeting. The quill pens in use a century ago sputtered and were irritating, so Sir Henry spoke to Horsley about the matter. Horsley, a member of the Royal Academy in London, was agreeably impressed and turned out an appropriate design inscribed simply, "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to You."

Edgley and Horsley made beginnings. According to research authorities the custom was taken up in America about 30 years later during the 1870s when Louis Prang, a Boston lithographer, printed a catalogue of Christmas cards.

No matter whether the greeting is the elaborate descendant of Edgley's drawing, or a simple good wish offered in friendship as worked out by Sir Henry and Horsley, or the glorious echo of the angels' enunciation, send that Christmas card to the boy in the service—and to his loved ones keeping faith at home.

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This is no place for a man—take Bobby's word for it. But Sis doesn't care. She knows exactly what she wants for Christmas. In fact, she already has her hands on it. And that smile on her face comes as close as anything could to denoting complete satisfaction with conditions in general.

Hearty Eating Cheered

English at Christmastide

In old England they had many dishes which we seldom hear of now. There was "frumenty," a dish made of wheat which is still sometimes served in Yorkshire, ale posset, Shropshire "wigs," and caraway buns dipped in ale. Yule doughs or "dows" were eaten everywhere, and in Coventry they made their famous Godcake. Tansy, too, was a favorite dish. This was made with eggs and cream, flavored with the juice of tansy, an extremely bitter, aromatic herb. In addition there was Christmas brawn, "connynges" in gravy, and a host of dishes that have since died out.

Christmas was never a national festival in Scotland, but at this period of the year new "sowens" were always eaten. These were made from the husks and siftings of oatmeal mixed with molasses, and to all accounts were delicious.

Mince Pies for Luck—

That's British Tradition

One of England's gay Christmas traditions centers around its delectable mince pies. It seems that each mince pie eaten between Christmas Eve and Twelfth Night will ensure a whole month of good luck in the coming year.

That works out to just about a pie a day for 12 days, to cover the calendar year—a stunt that would seem more likely to cause chronic dyspepsia than good fortune. But these aren't the pies we Americans are accustomed to—the English mince pie is about the size of a doughnut. To eat a dozen in as many days is no trick at all, when two or three of them can be gobbled with a cup of tea.

GERMANS DEFEATED ON 2 MAJOR FRONTS

New and important victories have been won by American and Russian armies on separate fronts with new and devastating blows at Germany.

The important victory for the Russian army was the capture of the Ukraine rail junction of Znamenska while the American Fifth army smashed through to isolate the fortress of Mignano only 75 miles from Rome.

The Germans now must use a series of minor rail lines to get their troops out and to get supplies in. A Moscow communication said that the Kiev line has been smashed back 30 miles.

Sofia, capital of politically shaking

Bulgaria was pounded for an hour and 45 minutes by Allied planes. Great destruction was wrought in the city and many persons have been killed.

American troops wrote a smashing climax to the assault around Mignano when they fought their way up through heavy clouds to wipe out Nazi resistance on the northern side of the valley. The Americans are only seven miles from Cassino. Italian troops have been in action on the American front.

Canadians under General Montgomery launched a heavy attack on an eight mile front near the Adriatic sea and were making good progress.

American air power was seen in a series of heavy blows at the Japs in the South Pacific indicating new invasions in the barrier of islands on the outer fringes of the Japanese empire.

Lieut. John L. Baskin Commissioned to Navy From Medical School

Lt. John Lane Baskin has been commissioned to the United States Navy from the Texas Medical School at Galveston.

Lt. Baskin was given the rank of Lieutenant Junior Grade and is one of 16 Senior classmates to be commissioned and appointed to the post of acting

assistant surgeon in the Medical Corps of the naval reserve. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Baskin of Cameron.

The appointment was announced by Lt. Commander Edward Constantine, officer in charge at the medical school. Lt. Baskin was born and reared in Cameron.

SENDS COPPER QUARTZ

The Herald publisher is pleased to receive from Cpl. Raymond Krupicka a boulder of copper quartz from Arizona. Cpl. Krupicka is stationed in that state in the army. His father brought the quartz to the Herald, retaining a portion for himself as a keepsake.

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DEAN F. SHELTON IS BURIED HERE MONDAY

Dean F. Shelton, 60, died in a local hospital at 4 p. m. Sunday December 12, 1943, following a heart attack.

Mr. Shelton was in the offices of Camp & Camp, lawyers where he was janitor, Sunday afternoon. Someone whose name was not available saw lights burning in the offices and called Emory B. Camp who came from his home and found Mr. Shelton who had collapsed from the attack.

Rushed to the hospital, he died at 4 p. m. It was not known whether Mr. Shelton had been subject to heart attacks. He was in charge of the court house and grounds, was janitor at the Local Draft Board and a number of places in the city and was kept busy from early until late and was accustomed to working on Sunday.

Mr. Shelton was born May 13, 1883 the son of a pioneer minister and wife, Rev. and Mrs. J. D. Shelton. He had lived most of his years in Milam county.

He was well and favorably known as faithful to duty and to friends and had many in the city who regarded him highly for his noble traits of character. He is survived by one son, J. D. Shelton, 16, of Cameron and a student in high school. Two daughters also survive as follows: Mrs. Antone Macek of Alice, Mrs. George Corcoran of San Francisco, Calif. Two sisters, Mrs. J. F. Howard of Cameron and Mrs. A. J. Young of Temple. A half sister and half brother survive as follows: Mrs. Porter E. Key, Dodge Texas; and K. A. Shelton of Lockhart. Other relatives also survive.

Funeral services were held at the home of his sister, Mrs. J. F. Howard, at 4 p. m. Monday, December 13, 1943, with interment in the Salem cemetery. Rev. C. W. Sanders, Pastor First Baptist Church, conducted services and the Coleman Funeral Home directed arrangements.

COLDER TONIGHT

Maximum temperatures Sunday 70; Minimum Monday morning 46. Noon forecast Fort Worth Weather Bureau: East Texas partly cloudy tonight and Tuesday with scattered showers. Cooler tonight.

Guard Duty



No—this sailor isn't gunning for Santa Claus. In fact, he's on friendly terms with the old gentleman. He is merely standing guard at the Administration building of the Great Lakes Naval Training station.

Poinsettia, Christmas Flower That Thrives in Warm Clime

The poinsettia is a native of Mexico and South America and thrives in the southern United States.

The true flower of the poinsettia is not the brilliant red. The flower is the small and inconspicuous center of delicate green buds. Examination will show that the colorful "flower" consists of a few topmost bracts that have turned from green to red, like autumn leaves.

Poinsettia is a four-syllable word. The correct pronunciation being poin-SET-i-uh.

Set Date for Christ's Birth in Fourth Century

Strangely, no one knows the exact date of the birth of Christ. Until some time in the Fourth century, Christmas (Christ's Mass) was variously celebrated on January 6, February 2, March 25, April 19, May 20 and November 17. In 1644, the English parliament passed an act forbidding the observance of Christmas. Later Charles II revived the Feast, as Christmas then was called.

Albert Crawford of Rt. 2, Cameron was a business visitor Monday.

OSCAR W. SPRING DIES IN CAMERON SATURDAY

Oscar W. Spring, 74, died at the home of his sister, Mrs. J. F. Plaster, at 202 West 23rd Street in Cameron, Saturday, December 11, 1943.

Mr. Spring had been in ill health for the past four years. He came to Cameron six weeks ago from San Antonio to live with his sister.

Mr. Spring was born December 7, 1869 in Austin county, Texas. The body was taken to San Antonio Saturday afternoon by the Green Funeral Home in Cameron. Funeral services were to be held at the Riebe Funeral Home in San Antonio at a time to be announced later in the day.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Jesse Bell Spring of San Antonio; one daughter, Mrs. Jesse Nell LaTona of San Antonio; and one sister, Mrs. J. F. Plaster of Cameron.

Friends of Mrs. J. H. Burnett will be glad to know that she has returned home from the Newton Memorial Hospital much improved.

Tom Nelson and Mrs. Artie F. McGuire were united in marriage at the home of Judge Jeff T. Kemp at 7:30 o'clock on December 13, 1943. No further information was available.

A Happy and Prosperous New Year



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Blizard Is Fizzle As Temperatures Drop to Only 41

The heralded blizzard which was due to bring freezing temperatures to Cameron proved to be a mild norther with temperatures down to only 41 for the minimum Friday night.

Considerable rain accompanied the norther. According to information filed by Richard Hester, local government observer the rainfall was .48 and maximum temperature Friday was 71 degrees and the minimum was 41. Total rainfall for the week was .86.

The noon forecast from the Fort Worth Weather Bureau for East Texas was as follows: Fair tonight with near freezing temperatures. Sunday fair with rising temperatures.

Mrs. J. E. Mullinax returned to her home in Cameron Saturday after a short visit with her daughter, Mrs. A. F. Jackson.

City Marshal Bears Down on Traffic Law Violators

In Cameron where traffic regulations are about the worst of any city in Texas, City Marshal Dan Lunsford, has begun to crack down on violators.

One arrest was made at the school early Tuesday. A notice has been issued by the Marshal who says he means business this time and will make extra efforts to detect those who do not observe traffic rules.

During the holidays every precaution will be taken against accidents. Special attention is being given to the school area to protect children.

MARRIAGES

Douglas C. Truesdale and Lillian Frances Riola.

Chas. Slone and Evelyn Cloud.

Henry Kuchn and Mable Rmstrong T. Dawson and Jessie Mae Foster.

D. S. Gray and Mrs. Mattie Hencke.

Erindo Lugo and Ynes Amaya. Jesse C. Kinsfather and Mrs. Annie Lee Johnson.

Frank William Owens and Ada Pearl Cavit.

Vince Krupicka of Buckholts was a Cameron visitor Friday.



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Beverage Sets

Fruit juice sets and decorated water sets.

House Decorations

Wreaths, small Christmas trees, roping, etc.

Gift Toiletries

Perfumes, Cologne, Toilet Sets, Shaving Sets, Bubble Bath etc.

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Conventional, religious, patriotic, relatives and boxed assortments.

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There Shall Be Peace

By TOM HORNER
Editor, Every Week Magazine

AND there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them; and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, Fear not; for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the Babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.—Luke: 11, 8-14.

THIS is the message of Christmas, echoing from that little town of Bethlehem across twenty centuries of time to a war-torn world. From the shepherds, themselves members of a conquered people, the message is comforting to millions who must exist in fear and suffering until the promise of Christmas is fulfilled.

CHRISTMAS, 1943, is different from other holidays we have known. Absent are the happy trips homeward; gasoline restrictions limit motor travel and crowded railroads devote all efforts to speeding men and materials to war zones. Missing, too, are many of the season's joys. Even the Christmas tree may be conspicuously absent in many localities.

But these are only the outward symbols of Christmas. The real Christmas is still here, multiplied a thousand-fold by the unity of a nation, of 30 nations, joined in battle against the foes of all that Christ and Christmas represent.

The real Christmas is faith: faith in God—be He the God of Christian, Jew, Mohammedan, Hindu or Buddhist. Faith in the privilege of worshipping Him freely, as conscience dictates.

The real Christmas is hope—hope for a future in which all men and all nations shall be free. Hope that the spirit of Christmas—giving, not getting—shall one day spread over the earth. A hope backed by determination to give all, even life itself, that it may be achieved.

The real Christmas is love—love of fellow man; the desire for friendship and co-operation with all peoples so that all may have equal opportunity, so that all may share in the happiness of God's peace; so that all may be free from fear and want, from hate and killing.

THIS is the promise of Christmas: There shall be peace—a lasting peace in which, we hope, there shall be no room for envy, for hate, for fear. In which not even our enemies shall find cause to raise up another Hitler, another Mussolini or another Togo.

There shall be peace—in all the world, when men turn from the way of death to the way of life; when men put truth and justice above greed and conquest.

There shall be peace—in our homes, when sons and brothers and husbands return; when factory wheels again are geared to make toys and gifts, not bombs and guns.

There shall be peace—in our hearts. For those who do not return, we will know at last, they did not die in vain. For those sacrifices we made, the victory will be worth the cost.



A CHRISTMAS Message From a Jungle

By SERGEANT JIMMY LOWTHERS
(Copyright—New York Times)

This letter from New Guinea was written a year ago by Sergeant Jimmy Lowthers who was transferred to New Guinea from Australia. He wears the Order of the Purple Heart for bravery in battle. Medford, a suburb of Boston, Mass., is his home town.

Somewhere in New Guinea.

My pop used to say, "It looks like a white Christmas, Jim." I can tell you one thing, it won't be a white Christmas here.

We have plenty of three things in New Guinea—rain, mud and Japs. We can get rid of the Japs, but the mud and rain hangs on.

It's no use trying to keep dry and clean in this environment, but we are getting used to it and chiefly concentrating on the job in hand of getting the Japs out of New Guinea. We're making steady progress at that job, and one thing that makes me feel good about the outcome and about the American Army is the conduct of our officers—generals, colonels, majors and all—when a scrap is imminent. Only a few days ago, just before an attack pushed off, they were right with the lowly private on the jump-off point. Everybody had a tommy gun or rifle, some a few grenades. It seemed funny to see the big shots, who didn't have to be there, getting ready to take a crack at the little yellow man.

It was no easy job. The Japs had been in these positions for months and had reinforced machine-gun pits with concrete. Usually around the pits were snipers on the ground and on platforms built at various heights in trees. There wasn't any whistle to signal the start of the attack but just the words, "Okay, let's go in."

Japs Start Firing

We hadn't gone thirty yards through the thick underbrush when the Japs started firing. Everybody dropped, then started sneaking ahead on their bellies. You could only see two or three men around in the thick underbrush.

Up ahead I could hear somebody hollering, "Come out and fight, you dirty yellow —." It was the captain of the company in that area. The fellow in front of me went head first into the bushes. He was hit. I hauled him on to the path as the medic went by and he gave him treatment.

I started ahead, but I didn't get very far when, blowie, everything went red and I am on my back. My helmet had a lovely bullet crease in it and I am thanking Uncle Sam for making good steel. We got the Japs out and on the run till we hit another line of concrete pits. It goes on and on. Headquarters had a few casualties. One general got it through the arm, but he came away grinning.

This seems a good time to pay a little tribute to the natives of the island. We American boys owe them a lot. The Aussies call them Fuzzie Wuzzies and they certainly are fuzzy. Transportation is always pack, and Fuzzy Wuzzies are the pack horses. They can carry tremendous loads mile after mile.

We followed them on a long hike and soon caught wise to one of their methods of getting a fresh drink in the jungle. Whenever they would stop, one or

two natives would climb trees and knock down dozens of coconuts. We would open coconuts in the approved native fashion and drink the cool, delicious liquid that guggled inside.

What We Shall Miss

I guess we're going to miss the brightly lighted trees and holly decorated windows at Christmas, the smile on every one's face and the kids poyeyed in anticipation of Santa Claus. Medford—that's my home town in New England—is a thriving city in suburban Boston. Each year the city government does the town brilliantly with Christmas adornments. There's a large tree in the square and carolers are singing on



"We don't like this business of war but somehow it makes the thoughts of home and of Christmas all the more keen."

Christmas Eve. I won't be there this year.

Christmas over New Guinea, I imagine, will be identical with the previous night and the night before that. In the jungle all active life ceases except for insects, and animals that cry out as they move about; these, even the closeness of war cannot erase.

Once darkness falls we don't move, for that might mean a shot in the back. After all, to our way of thinking, it might be a Jap. Strangely enough, the darkness brings a certain safety over our encampments.

In a surprise attack at night a short time ago, our boys went to town in a Jap bivouac area. Because of the speed and precision of the push, our casualties were low and Tojo had quite a few soldiers who will fight no more. The area was set afire and the desolation that greeted our eyes on the following morning was appalling. Two Japs had stayed inside buildings rather than face the avenging Americans. Their bodies remained, charred and misshapen, for

conducted many services but never shall I forget that one, for it showed me that the men of the Army have faith, and it sustains them.

Faith also has acted in practical ways to help the men physically as well as spiritually. There is a very wonderful story of which I have personal knowledge. It involves a boy I knew well. I had baptized him and had assisted at his marriage. He became a pilot of a fighter plane. Always around his neck was a religious medal. He no more would fly without it—or, for that matter, go anywhere without it—than he would enter combat in the air without his parachute.

Forced one day to bail out of his plane over desolate country, he landed wounded and exhausted on the beach of a small island. Fierce natives surrounded him and would have killed him, defenseless as he was, had not the chief seen and recognized the medal around his neck. With a simplicity that was as eloquent as the words spoken from the richest and most fashionable pulpit in the land, the leader of the tribe said, in broken English: "No hurt you—Jesus Number One Man." Yes, and Jesus is "Number One Man" in the hearts of hosts of our soldiers, wherever they may be. Praise God for this.

The Hell of Bataan

From the hell of Bataan came an expression that has been widely quoted through the country: "There are no atheists in foxholes." The average soldier—be he in foxhole or training camp back home—is deeply cognizant of the existence of a Supreme Being and his utter dependence upon Him. It may require the proximity of danger in some form or other to make this manifest, but the belief is deep and sincere.

I can think of no better way to close this summation of the revival of faith of the American soldier than by quoting from a letter written to his parents by a young lieutenant who was on duty with General Wainwright in the tragic days before Corregidor fell. The lieutenant's letter follows:

"I have seen some horrible things happen and have had my share of nar-

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most of the day until we could find time to dig a hole to bury them.

Changed in Appearance

We have changed in appearance a lot as well as in mind. Heavy beards are in style, our clothes need a cleaner, and broken fingernails and calloused hands are the common property of officers and men alike. Big waistlines have gone the way of all flesh. Long grueling marches through the mountains and jungles have taken care of that.

We are tough now and savage like this savage country. We have learned how to kill. We don't like it, but it is the business of war. Somehow it only makes thoughts of home and the pleasantness of Christmas all the more close and keen. Of course, I—and all of us—want to be back home. But I think Christmas for us won't be a day of yearning for things gone by but a time

of greater determination to make a quick end to all this strife and hardship forced upon us. And the best gift all of us could have that day would be a letter from home.

A perfect Christmas Eve would be a crisp, cold sky, brilliant with a thousand stars. Crunchy snow underfoot and a holy stillness that makes a man speak in whispers. Carols and fireworks at night and friends say-

ing, "Merry Christmas." It won't run like that here. The night probably will be muggy or wet with rain. We will hope it won't, for the Japs are experts

at landing barges filled with troops in rainy weather.

Our Kind of Gifts

My Christmas here won't be spent in the usual way of giving and receiving gifts, feasting on old gobbler, having my sister, Betty, tell me to take it easy on the mince pies because I know what they do to me. We'll be giving a few gifts—to the Japs—only they won't be wrapped and tied with tinsel thread.

I remember a Christmas drawing that drew a lot of comment from the boys last year—our last Christmas at home. It was truly a work of art. The drawing was a great favorite among the soldiers. One of these soldiers was shown hurrying up the walk of his best girl's home. He was just getting in from camp for his Christmas furlough. His arms were full of gifts for his one and only. She was dashing madly to meet him, a smile of joy on her face.

What We Are Fighting For

I sometimes wonder if a new callousness to death and life that we acquire will change our desire for simple pleasures such as Christmas joys—if we come through. I don't think so. They should be dearer to each soldier instead of more foreign. The reason we are fighting is to get back to and retain the simple pleasures of Christmas and home.

Yeah, it is almost Christmastide and for the first time in my twenty-six years I am not at home. I am 15,000 miles from home. We can't get home this year in actual being but we've got our memories. We will be there in spirit. Cheer up, moms and dads, wives, sweethearts. We are on the other team's goal line and it is going to be a plunge right through center. Some of us are going to get hurt, but you will see most of the boys after its all over. Take it from me.

By the way, a Merry Christmas from pals of mine who are fighting the Japs here—also from a little Mexican lad who laughs when he goes into battle, from a drawing Southerner named Tommy who is a bear with a Tommy gun, from a Californian who is the best man on a mortar I know, from a kid from Massachusetts who regrets that he cannot buy the kids some toys this Christmas. Merry Christmas to all Americans from New Guinea's jungle.

The SOLDIER'S Sublime Faith

By CHAPLAIN EDWARD J. BURNS,
U. S. A.

THERE never has been a Christmas quite like the one that the year of our Lord 1943 will bring. It will be celebrated by American boys keeping their lonely vigil in the bleak fastnesses of Iceland. It will be solemnly noted by others slashing their way through the jungle to meet the Japanese on the steaming little islands of the Southwest Pacific and the American and British expeditionary forces who are fighting the Germans on the Italian front.

Yet this latest Christmas is similar in many respects to that first Christmas when the Prince of Peace was born in Bethlehem. Herod and Hitler are not so very far apart. There was social and economic unrest then; there is social and economic unrest now. The world needed a new spiritual life—and got it—then, as it needs and is getting it now.

The men in the front lines are keeping the faith. They are fighting for the right with the song of the Lord in their hearts. I know, I have been there. I was with the first American contingent to land on Australian soil. I would not take the world for my experiences, for they gave me a spiritual sharpening of my own faith, just as similar experiences are causing a tremendous revival of faith in the hearts and souls of hundreds upon hundreds of thousands of soldiers who, perhaps, in the careless years of uncertain peace, had become just a little bit rusty in the true meaning and understanding of spiritual belief.

The Crisis of Faith

The crisis of faith produced by this grim and terrible war, in which so many of God's children are locked in mortal combat, is not exactly new. It is the same crisis through which religion has passed so many times since the Archangel Michael, general of the Lord's forces, fought his decisive battle with Lucifer and hurled him from the heights of Heaven.

The soldier has faith. Sometimes—

particularly toward the first—he doesn't always think about it, but it's there. Later, particularly when he moves up toward the front, almost always when the presence of death is near, he thinks about it and takes steps to demonstrate it more and more. It is not a faith of fear, however, it is rather, a glorious, a dignified, an inspiring faith, and it sustains the soldier on and near the field of battle. Again I know, for I have seen it happen.

I have been with American fliers in jeeps, racing over the dusty roads of



"It is not a faith of fear, but a glorified faith, and it sustains the soldier on the battle field."

Australia and Africa to their planes after an alert had sounded. As they took off for they knew not what I have heard them speak words of reverence over the roar of their motors. Thus I know they have the faith, and it sustains them.

Came Forth to Kneel in Piety

I never shall forget a certain Sunday morning aboard the huge, gray hulk of a transport which carried us thousands of miles through dangerous waters. The lounge was entirely inadequate for the number of men who wanted to pray, so they came forth to kneel in piety on the tilting floor of the open deck. I have

HOLLYWOOD'S Santa Claus Parades

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Hollywood.

CHRISTMAS season finds Hollywood boulevard looking like a ghost town compared with its brilliantly lighted Santa Claus lane of previous years. What with wartime regulations and dim-out rules, Hollywood's gay white way is dark and murky as Dugan's back alley. The brightly lighted metal Christmas trees which have draped the street lamps for the last few years (ever since they were adopted to save our supply of evergreens) have now been donated to the scrap metal drive, and huge papier-mache figures of Santa Claus have been put up all along the boulevard to preserve the spirit of Christmas and keep the children happy.

But our real Santa Claus, who for the last 12 years has ridden up and down the boulevard each evening for a month before Christmas in a beautiful red and gold sleigh with reindeer, all mounted on a huge float, won't be with us this year, 'cause he's too busy on a war job to ride anything but his trusty bicycle that takes him to and from work.

This bit of pageantry was turned into one of our most fabulous and beloved traditions. Mamas, papas, and children from miles around would line up along the curbs of Hollywood each night to watch it.

Tom Mix Was Grand Marshal

It started each year with a typical Hollywood "opening" the night after Thanksgiving. A parade which took an hour to pass would form at one end of Hollywood boulevard, move slowly to the other end and back again. Tom Mix, as grand marshal, and his horse, Tony, used to lead it in the old days. Since Tom's death Leo Carrillo, who's always been one of our greatest showmen, has taken over. He always had a truck precede him, throwing back a dazzling white spotlight on him and his horse, and even had neon lights on his palomino horse's bridle and saddle (with a battery concealed in the saddlebag). I wonder what Leo is going to do this year. He loves a parade above all things, and since there's no big parade to lead, I wish he'd just put some dimmer's on his horse's lights and parade himself down the boulevard.

Following the leader would be bands



The late Tom Mix and Tony used to head the Santa Claus parade.

galore, drum majorettes, floats filled with movie stars; some of the more energetic ones would even hoof it. And bringing up the rear would be Santa Claus in his sleigh, with shimmering diamond-bright artificial snow being blown about by a wind machine ahead, and always two or three guests riding with him. To an accompaniment of "Jingle Bells" and "Holy Night," Santa would call greetings through his megaphone and wave to the children of all ages lined along the curb, and introduce his guests, who in turn would wave and smile. Hollywood was truly "one big happy family" on that night.

Heart-Warming Memories

So as Christmas approaches this year the heart-warming memories of brighter seasons live over again as we turn from Hollywood's darkened boulevard with longing and regret.

Mary Pickford rode as Santa's first guest when the parade was originated. And Pat O'Brien has been an old reliable. He's ridden numerous times, bringing his two youngsters, Mavourneen and Sean but I doubt if they enjoyed it any more than their dad, who would grin and wave at the exuberant fans, with good old sentimental Irish tears trickling out the corners of his eyes.

I've had the honor of being Santa's guest myself a couple of times, and I never realized just what this celebration means to the children until I took that first ride several

years ago and saw for myself the light and wonder in all those upturned faces. It does something to you—I don't care how sophisticated you may think you are.

Brought Along the Seven Dwarfs

Walt Disney would ride each year, and once brought along the seven little dwarfs of "Snow White," which made the youngsters squeal with delight. Joe E. Brown harked back to his acrobatic days one time and turned somersaults all over the place for them. The Andrews sisters once gave things a novel touch by singing "Jingle Bells" in boogie-woogie tempo.

Besides the well known stars, Santa has always included among his guests a few young newcomers to pictures—which not only added youth and beauty to the parade but gave the girls some

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CURRENT COMMENT

By A STAFF EDITOR
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Green Trees of Christmas

WITHIN a few days Christmas trees will be set up in many American homes. Some of these trees will be lighted up even before Christmas Eve ushers in one of our most deeply religious holidays, which, this year more than ever before, has an especial meaning to all of us.

We doubt if the world ever will be so chaotic and troubled that the lights of a little Christmas tree will suffer a complete dim-out. To nearly all of us the everlasting green of these trees, a green that has defied the cold of winter, is in some respects a true symbol of the everlasting spiritual meaning of Christmas throughout the entire world.

Jerusalem, and Tyre and Sidon were once vast, busy ports. Today at Haifa, principal port and terminus of an oil pipe line from Iraq, great refineries turn out fuel for ships and planes.

Palestine, a British mandate since World War I, lives mostly by agriculture and stock raising. Much of its orange and lemon crops, its 200,000 tons of grain and 2,500 tons of olive oil a year, go to feed United Nations' soldiers and sailors. So have some of its livestock, sheep, cattle and goats. Its camels have helped a bit with transport.

There are some 960,000 Mohammedans, 471,000 Jews, and 125,000 Christians among Palestine's 1,568,000 population.

battle, and 65,170 others, not including prisoners, have been wounded or are missing, while 46,000 have been killed in motor accidents and 1,600,000 others have been injured.

"This should shame every loyal American," said New H. Bearborn, executive vice-president of the Safety Council. "A country that is fighting for its life simply can't afford to squander its manpower at such a rate."

"The fact that we are needlessly killing off twice as many people in traffic alone as are dying on the battlefield in defense of their country constitutes an indictment of home-front Americans."

Record Corn Crop

The second largest corn crop on record in the United States—3,086,000,000 bushels—was forecast by the Department of Agriculture on the basis of conditions on November 1.

While the predicted 1943 crop would be 90,000,000 bushels less than last year's record production, it would exceed the average yield for the ten years of 1932 to 1941 by 736,000,000 bushels. Approximately 94,000,000 acres of corn are expected to be harvested this year compared with 89,484,000 a year ago.

The report credited the high production primarily to better farming practices and technical improvements.

Indicated production of Texas corn crop for 1943 is 86,688,000 bushels. In 1942 it was 78,561,000 bushels.

Air Loss Low, Stimson Says

Out of all the thousands of British and American planes that have participated in attacks on Europe and combats over the Continent, the average loss has been confined to less than 5 per cent, Henry L. Stimson, Secretary of War, revealed recently.

In another disclosure, Mr. Stimson said that in an attack by 501 American planes on northern France on October 24 not a single one of our craft was lost.

He declared also that since October 5 Gen. Douglas MacArthur had reported 715 Japanese planes destroyed in south and southwest Pacific areas and 125 others probably destroyed—all against an American loss of only forty-three.

"While losses have occasionally been proportionately high in individual attacks, the over-all losses of British and American planes in operations over the Continent have averaged less than 5 per cent. This figure represents the average United States loss in bombers and fighters in all sorties since the beginning of operations of the Eighth Air Force in July, 1942. British losses, it is understood, also do not exceed this same figure, Secretary Stimson said."

Accord Acclaimed by Moscow Press

The Soviet press hailed the Moscow conference's success as insuring the speedier defeat of Adolf Hitler and welcomed the Anglo-Soviet-American-Chinese post-war collaboration declaration with the enthusiastic comment that "the great democratic powers, comrades in arms today, tomorrow will become comrades in the struggle for the security of all peace-loving nations."

Secretary of State Cordell Hull, returning from the Moscow conference, where he played a leading role in laying the foundations for a durable peace and enhancing the effectiveness of the Allied military coalition, made this statement:

"We agreed upon a broad basic program of international co-operation. The program contemplates the hastening of victory over the Axis powers, also the preservation of peace and the promotion of human welfare in the post-war world."

"I believe that our country and other peace-loving countries have a vast opportunity to profit by the program of policies outlined by the Moscow conference. I have supreme faith that they will avail themselves of that opportunity."

Rubber Prospects for 1944

Rubber requirements of the United States will be practically met by the synthetic rubber production program by the end of next year, but a tight situation will exist in the meantime, Col. Bradley Dewey, Rubber Director, told a Senate Agriculture subcommittee.

Colonel Dewey, who was William M. Jeffers' deputy and who succeeded him when Mr. Jeffers resigned recently, said that 1943 requirements would cause drawing about 200,000 tons out of the country's current stockpile of 500,000 tons of natural rubber, bringing the reserve down to slightly below what the War committee held to be an essential minimum reserve.

Requirements for next year he estimated at 950,000 tons, which, he said, would be about 50,000 tons above the year's supply available from synthetic and Western Hemisphere natural rubber sources.

The country faces a rubber situation with not much margin, but one which can be met if the users of tires will exercise ordinary precautions, Colonel Dewey said.

What Soldiers Eat

A soldier or a sailor eats about one and a half times as much as a civilian, the War Food Administration says. He reduces civilian supplies only by the differences between what he ate as a civilian and what he eats now—the difference between 5½ pounds a day compared with 3½ pounds in civil life. The average weekly diet for a man in training includes: 6 1-5 pounds of meat; 7 eggs; 3½ pounds of fresh milk; 1½ pounds of evaporated milk; ice cream once a week; at least 1 pound of butter, margarine and other fats; 4½ pounds of bread, cereal and other grains; 5 pounds of potatoes; 5 pounds of fresh canned vegetables; 4½ pounds of tomatoes and citrus fruit; 2 pounds of other fruit. For men quartered in this country the Army and Navy require at least a three-month reserve supply; for men abroad, a nine-month supply.

Safe Winter Driving

Winter motoring, always more hazardous than that of other seasons, demands special precautions this year. There is extra congestion in the neighborhood of industrial plants, military posts and construction projects. The share-your-car practice—not yet nearly as well established as it should be in the interest of rubber conservation—brings added responsibilities because of heavier average loading of passenger cars. The dimout, both in cities and rural areas, increases the danger of night accidents.

The War Department and the International Association of Chiefs of Police have joined in prescribing simple but often neglected rules for winter driving based upon studies made by the National Safety Council. These include check-up of brakes, use of chains on snowy or icy roads (which cuts stopping distance some 50 per cent) and maintenance of windshield wipers, defrosters and headlights. But

more than any other one thing it is the attitude of the driver and the pedestrian that counts. Impatience, a careless effort to save at most a few seconds or minutes, may cost a life or cause a crippling injury.

"The Time Has Come to Attack"

Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, commander in chief of the Pacific fleet, in his nation-wide radio address Armistice night, not only warned Japan that new and powerful offensive blows are coming, but virtually told the enemy where we propose to strike.

"Our time has come to attack," the Admiral declared. "Our northern flank in the Aleutians has been secured. In the South and Southwest Pacific intensified attacks have placed the Japs in a precarious position. In other areas he has been relatively unmolested but henceforth we propose to give him no rest."

Nippon knows that there are only two "other areas"—the Central Pacific island bases and the Japanese home land. Hence, it should be clear to the enemy that the Pacific command proposes to strike first at Jap island defenses guarding Japan proper. Admiral Nimitz made it clear that the next blow will not be a hit-and-run raid such as the Navy has carried out in recent attacks on Wake Island and other island strongholds. For he emphasized that "the Jap has dug himself in. We must land and dig him out."

Admiral Nimitz is a hardbitten old seadog, who usually believes in letting the guns of his fleet talk for him. The very boldness of his words carries the implication to the enemy that we are now strong enough in the Pacific to carry out our plans and that the Navy will ask nothing better than for the Jap fleet to attempt to stop us.

His fighting words corroborate the previous statements of Gen. MacArthur and Admiral Halsey that the operations now under way in the Pacific are more than island-hopping campaigns. The time has come to attack, and Admiral Nimitz' words are assurance that the attack will be pressed home against the heart of Japan.

Lowest Death Rate Recorded for U. S.

The lowest death rate ever recorded for the United States was reported recently by the Bureau of the Census, the figure being 10.4 per 1,000 population for 1942, against 10.5 in 1941.

Fatalities in motor accidents dropped from 30 per 100,000 in 1941 to 21.2 last year and the death rate for pneumonia and influenza fell to 35.7 from 63.9.

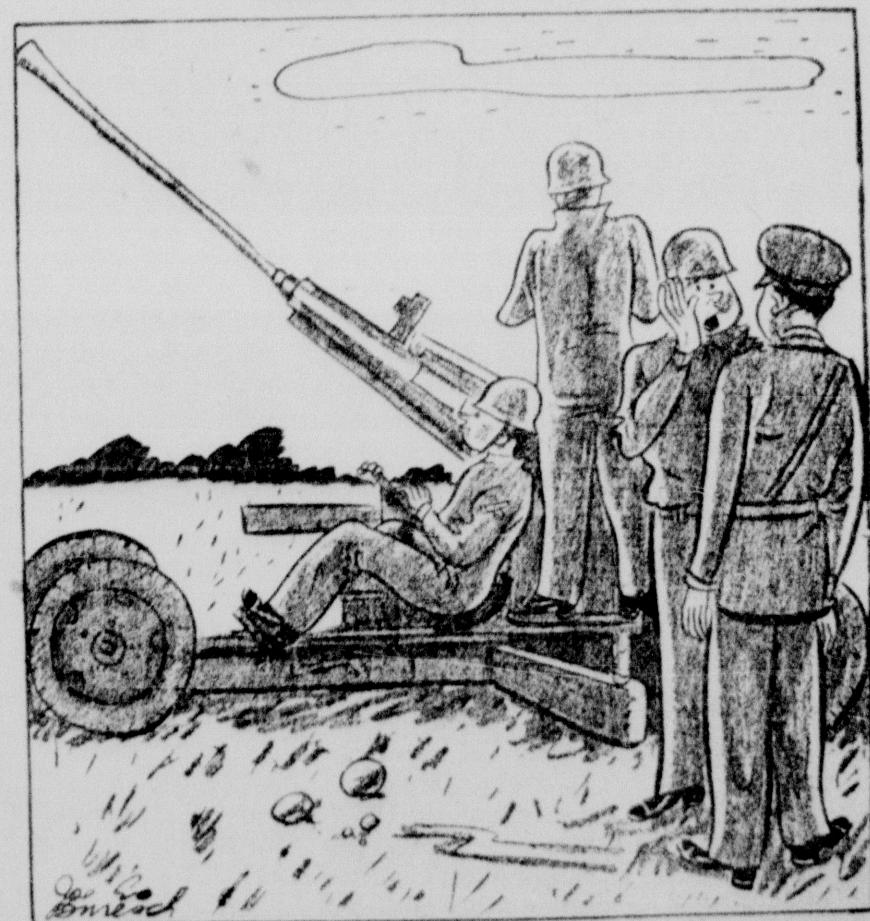
However, in the fact of the general overall decline in the death rate, an increase was recorded in the rate for certain causes of death, such as heart disease, which rose from 290.2 in 1941 to 295.2 per 100,000 in 1942; cancer and other malignant tumors, from 120.2 to 122.1 and intracranial lesions of vascular origin, from 89.1 to 90.2. Most of the increase occurred in the diseases characteristic of old age.

Of the other principal causes of death, the nephritis rate dropped from 75.1 to 72.4; tuberculosis from 44.5 to 42.2, with only fractional changes in the death rate from premature birth and diabetes melitus.

Machine Tree-Planting

Tree seedlings have been successfully transplanted by machine near Muskegon, Mich. The machine used was originally designed to set out celery seedlings. It was slightly modified to accommodate the differently shaped and rooted young trees. During the past season nearly a million and a quarter pine seedlings were set out by the new method at an over-all cost of 46.8 cents a thousand. Each machine is operated by a crew of three—one man and two women.

Folks in Uniform



New Superbomber

The "final test" of the Army's new superbomber, the B-29, "is not now far distant," Gen. H. H. Arnold, commanding the Army Air Forces, said in confirming recent reports that the Army's most powerful aircraft are on their way.

In non-specific terms General Arnold described the new bomber as a heavily armored and armed plane which can fly extremely high and will have a "substantially greater" range than the Flying Fortresses and Liberators but he made it clear that production of these two types would continue to be "increased steadily."

The general said that the B-29 was as far ahead of the B-24 and B-17 as they were beyond pre-war bombers. First experimental models of the B-29 were built at Seattle where engineering of the design was accomplished by the staff of the Boeing Company, originator of the B-17, and the new type was "evolved in secrecy during the past several years in close co-operation with the Army Air Forces and its material command."

The new bomber will be powered with Wright engines and will use Hamilton standard propellers.

This battleship of the air is armored heavily with multiple gun and power turrets. It can fly at very high altitudes.

Auto Deaths Twice U. S. Losses in War

Motor vehicle accidents are still a greater menace to human life than war, the National Safety Council said in releasing a survey on national automobile fatalities for nine months of 1943.

Since Pearl Harbor, the survey shows, 21,940 Americans have been killed in

day and share the joys and happy anticipations of their loved ones. This is the real Christmas spirit and without it a family is doomed to a dull and listless holiday.

If you aimed at making a million this year and missed you might as well call it off, for the Old Year is packing up and soon will be checking out. I didn't aim to make a million. I tried to be modest and figured I could get along on one or two thousand this year. But there isn't a chance. I am not in the red but so near it I can still see red when the red lights are turned off and the green lights are turned on. However, I am due to get a break in 1944. I have taken up a correspondence course in "Earning and Saving," which, the author claims, will make \$2 drop into your pocket where only one dropped before.

The Old Year was full of fumbles and strikeouts, yet was a life-saver for America. It marked a turning point in the war. The darkest days are behind. Victory lies ahead if we keep up the pressure on the home front and on the battle front. A let down, or a complacent attitude that the war is won, would be fatal. Buy war bonds and stamps for Christmas gifts.

The Treasury Department reports that more than 30,000,000 \$2 bills are in circulation. Where are they? I seldom see a \$2 bill. All the bills I see are the \$1 kind and I can't keep them long enough to tell whether they have George Washington's picture or Cordell Hull's. The government also revealed there were 2,200 \$10,000 bills in circulation. That's real news to those of us who have never seen a \$10,000 bill. Before the sweet chariot swings low, I should like one last, lingering look at a \$10,000 bill.

I have just returned from a trip to the North. Passed through the great corn belt and industrial States. Corn belt farmers are fairly well up with

their work despite labor shortage. I saw few cattle and hogs on farms, which indicate most of them had been marketed. A good steak is as hard to find in the East as in the West or the South. Some eating places use cottage cheese as a substitute for butter. Meatless menus feature fish and fowl.

While business is booming in towns and cities as never before throughout the land, some persons take it all as a matter of course. Many men who draw fat salaries in defense plants spend this money riotously, not even buying war bonds or stamps. "Whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap." Some big crops of wild oats are being sown and, as usual, the harvest will be truly plentiful.

Hog killin' weather the last week in November produced some mighty fine eats—such as spareribs, backbone and sausage. Always a stirring event on the farm, hog-killin' time had more significance this year because of point rationing. To a hungry man, no aroma can compare to "sissigge sizzlin' in the pan." Wife says I always come to the breakfast table smiling when she serves sausage. The perfect American breakfast on a cold morning has been described as follows:

Honest-to-goodness country sausage, eggs, hot buckwheats, maple or ribbon cane syrup, coffee.

Some of our hill-billy bands that make mountain music at Christmastime will be missing this year. Many of the band boys have marched off to war. No musicians have contributed more free music to the world than the home-town bands. They headed all parades and all civic programs. As a one-gallos youngster, I can remember following our hometown band down the street Christmas Eve, winding up at the schoolhouse where the women folks had put presents on a Christmas tree for every kid in town. Before signing off for 1943, I want to pay a lasting tribute to all hill-billy bands—wherever they may be. Their music to me has been an inspiration and an unforgettable delight.

Merry Christmas! Merry Christmas! Merry Christmas!

Grass Root Reveries

By JOE GANDY

Winnabow, Texas.
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THIS is going to be more of a children's Christmas, it seems. I, at least, shall welcome the change. Heretofore we grown-ups have about taken over Christmas—and made it to fit our own selfish ends. We give each other expensive gifts and give the children a few cheap toys. We attend gay parties and leave the children at home with grandma and grandpa. But the war is changing our thinking. This year we want to make the children happy at Christmastime.

Turning of our thoughts more to the children during Christmas is a wholesome trend. Furthermore, it has spiritual significance. A spiritual awakening has been long needed in America. Celebrating the birth of the Prince of Peace is an epochal time for parents to tell their children some of the adventures of this Prince of Peace who was born in Bethlehem, the land of Judea. He spent his youth in Nazareth, and there learned the carpenter's trade under His father, Joseph. While working as a carpenter among the village folks, He was kind and helpful to them and taught them to love and help one another.

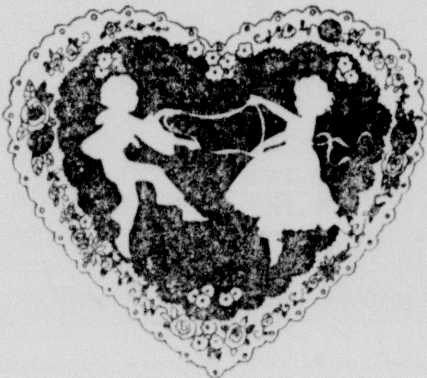
The stores have low price editions of the Life of Christ, written for children. If you do not have one of these books in your home, buy one as a Christmas gift for your child or for some one else's child. No life had more of adventure than the life of Christ. From the beginning it reads like a great drama only to end in the profoundest and saddest of human tragedies.

If this is to be a children's Christmas, let's join them in making it merry. Dad and mom may be poor, not able to buy a lot of gifts for their children, but they can give them love and kindness which are more precious than material gifts. They can put away cares for the



The Holy Land

Some members of the American armed forces will spend Christmas in the Holy Land. Small detachments, including flyers, have been stationed in Palestine. It is a mixture of old and new, the land where Christ was born at Bethlehem, where Solomon ruled at



TEXAS BRIEF NEWS--- from Over the State

WILDLIFE SANCTUARY

Houston's Outdoor Nature Club has launched a movement toward creation of a wildlife sanctuary on the 3,000-acre Barker Dam area.

PISTOL PACKIN' MAMAS

Fort Worth city council has voted to employ 10 women as traffic officers. They will be "properly uniformed and equipped" to enforce law and order.

GIRLS EDIT COLLEGE NEWSPAPER

Seven of the nine top editorial jobs on the Daily Texan are held by girl students of the University of Texas, where the paper is published.

OIL HELPS PAY STATE BILLS

The production tax on oil brought \$25,855,000 into the treasury of the State of Texas during the 1942-43 fiscal year. The collection was made on more than 525,000,000 barrels of oil.

ONE SHOT, ONE BUCK

Governor Coke Stevenson opened the deer hunting season on his usual hunting ground in Sutton county. "One shot, one buck," the Governor reported on his return to the capitol. It was a 10-pointer.

STORK SETS RECORD

Thirteen babies arrived at St. Mary's Hospital in Port Arthur, (Jefferson county), on November 6 to set a record for new arrivals in one day. The "baker's dozen" increased the nursery population to 29, also a new record.

REPUBLIC OF TEXAS NOTE

John W. Roberts, ranchman and retired telephone system owner, of Goldthwaite, (Mills county), has a \$50,000 cancelled Texas Treasury note. It was issued in 1838, signed by Sam Houston, President, and H. Smith, Treasurer of the Republic of Texas.

CONVICTS RELEASED TO ARMY

Approximately 25 inmates have been released from the Texas Prison System that they might join the armed forces. A special panel of the Walker County Selective Service Board recommended the release. Only men who had been the highest type of prisoners are being recommended.

CHRISTMAS PACKAGE ARRIVES LATE

Col. John A. Robenson, of Eighth Service Command in Dallas, received a 1942 Christmas package in October, 1943. It traveled about 20,000 miles after being mailed in Louisiana to the officer, who was on duty in the Pacific at that time.

THE LONG AND SHORT OF IT

The publicity department of the University of Texas sent out a picture which shows the tallest and shortest students enrolled this year. Tallest is Volney O'Connor, six feet and 10 inches tall, of Gonzales, (Gonzales county). Smallest is Miss Dorace Caldwell, four feet and 10 inches tall, of Pampa, (Gray county).

EXCITING JOY-RIDE

"The horse ran away, turned the buggy over, spilled the co-ed on the ground, dragged the lieutenant and finally fell on him." That was the story told by a University of Texas co-ed and a lieutenant who took her for a buggy ride. Neither was seriously hurt.

PET SNAKE

The Corpus Christi Times has printed a picture of two local boys who have an indigo snake for a pet. They are E. R., aged 8, and Michael, aged 4, sons of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Moore. The snake roams the yard in daylight and sleeps in a box in the garage at night. It is fond of the two boys but sometimes strikes at other people. The snake is five feet long.

WOMEN WITH DETERMINATION

Shortage of gasoline failed to keep two Coleman county farm women from attending their home demonstration club meetings. They simply saddled a couple of horses and rode 10 miles rather than miss the meeting. It was the first time one of the women had been on a horse in 30 years. The women were Mrs. S. V. Webb and Mrs. B. W. Webb, members of the club at Rae Echo.

MEN STAGE STYLE SHOW

The men of Blanco, (Banco county), arranged a special style show for the women of the community to display "What to wear and when." All kinds of women's clothes were in the program for the models. Another feature was on general care of skin and nails, with a special demonstration of how to apply make-up. Twenty men were listed as models.

LUCK COIN LOST--AND FOUND

Aviation Cadet and Mrs. George Robinson, of Ponca City, Okla., went to visit Mrs. Robinson's mother in Hillsboro. After a meal in a cafe there, the couple discovered a "good luck" nickel was missing. The cafe owner did not have it when the search started but he remembered having given some change to a laundry man. Sure enough, the laundry man still had it when they found him.

BARELEY MISSED 100 YEARS

N. M. Davis, known as "The Grand Old Man" of Van Alstyne, (Grayson county), died three months before his 100th birthday. He had lived in the county for 72 years.

HEADS INDUSTRIAL WORKERS

New Braunfels, (Comal county), has a high percentage of industrial workers, one to each 8.6 inhabitants, much higher than the State's major cities. Dallas has one for 21.5, Fort Worth for 25.3, Houston for 25.6 and San Antonio for 50.6.

PECAN HUNT FOR CHILDREN

Uncle Bennie Clark, of Cooper, (Delta county), held his annual pecan hunt for school children recently. Each year he invites children of the lower grades to be his guests for a party and lets them pick up pecans from a fine pecan tree in his front yard.

RUBBER OFFICE OPENED

An office to supervise emergency rubber work in Texas has been opened in San Antonio. It will be headquarters for people engaged in planting guayule over the State, as well as those collecting mature plants from wild guayule growth over West Texas.

LONG-LOST DIAMOND FOUND

Eight years ago Mrs. C. C. Jopling, of La Grange, (Fayette county), lost a diamond from her ring. It was not found after a search which included draining the lavatory pipes. Recently she was rummaging through her husband's desk and found the diamond in one of the desk drawers.

OLD WATCH KEEPS GOOD TIME

R. L. Payne, of Sulphur Springs, (Hopkins county), has a 75-year-old watch which still keeps good time. It is in a solid silver case and is very heavy. Mr. Payne got the watch from an uncle who declared it was 20 years old when he came to Texas in 1888.

FIRST AID TRAINING SAVES LIFE

L. W. Taylor, employee of a Dallas boiler factory, saved a man's life because he had taken first aid training. Taylor happened upon an automobile wreck in which a man had been badly cut. He applied pressure at the proper place to stop bleeding until the injured man reached a hospital. Doctors said the first aid saved the man's life.

TEXAS INCOME SKYROCKETS

Texas people will have an income in 1943 more than double that of the boom year in 1929, according to a report made to the Texas Statistical Council. The income for 1943 is estimated at five and one-half billion dollars.

SKUNK DISRUPTS SCHOOL

Students in Kelly Hall of the College of Mines at El Paso fled in confusion when a skunk wandered into the class room before time for the noon recess. The pandemonium excited the skunk which ran from room to room, leaving its bad odor in each room. Classes were dismissed for the remainder of the day. The skunk finally was killed.

TEXAS GREYHOUND WINNER

Eddie Bowers, of Mart, (McLennan county), has returned from Newton, Kansas, where one of his fine greyhounds won first place in the Waterloo Cup race of the National Coursing Association. He took three dogs, one of which had to be withdrawn because of injuries after winning two heats, and the same thing happened to the other after he had won three heats.

TREE-CLIMBING DOG

A seven-foot fence around the Dallas dog pound couldn't hold Spinach, who is a tree-climber. Spinach is the dog pal of Dexter McEwen, age 11. Dexter says Spinach spends a lot of time climbing trees "higher than our house."

FEWER OIL WELLS THIS YEAR

A total of 1,723 oil wells were completed in Texas during the first 10 months of 1943. The total at the same time last year was 2,667.

WOMAN HELPS MANAGE AIRPORT

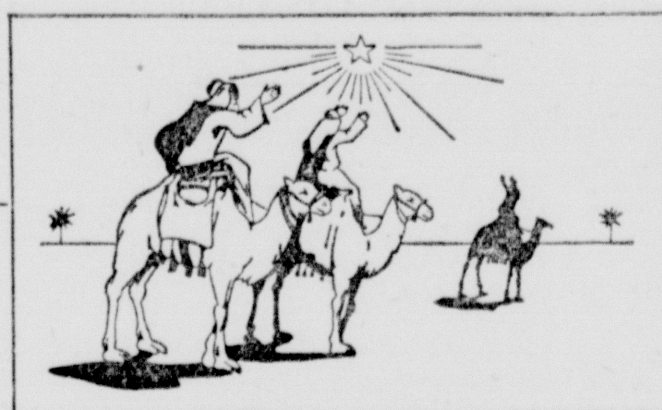
Miss Pat Pate has been named assistant manager of Corpus Christi's municipal airport. Before taking the job Miss Pate had worked for the Coastal Air Patrol. She is the first woman ever employed at the field.

TEXANS SMOKE MORE, DRINK LESS

State Treasurer Jesse James reports October revenue from taxes on tobacco increased almost \$150,000 over the same month in 1942, while the State income from liquor taxes showed a big decrease. The decrease was almost \$500,000.

WOOLEN MILL PROSPERS

Almost two years ago a woolen mill started operating at Eldorado, (Schleicher county). At first the mill manufactured a few all-wool blankets. Later the government placed a big order, which keeps the machinery operating with two shifts to turn out 60 blankets per day. All employees are from Eldorado.



Bright Christmas Star

Once on the hills of Galilee,
A Star arose to guide the Three!
And they were Wise who followed far
The hope and promise of that Star!

And they were Wise and they were Three
Who sought the Child in Galilee!
They followed in the holy light,
That went before them shining bright!

Oh, blessed Star of Bethlehem
That rose to light the way for them,
Now may it on this glad day be
A Christmas Star for you and me!

—Merrick Fifield McCarthy.

OXEN BETTER THAN MULES

L. E. Anderson, of Richland, (Navarro county), solved the mule-power shortage by breaking a team of oxen. He says, "They pull a heavy load easily, and besides they're fast and easy to handle—not stubborn like mules." Mr. Anderson uses his oxen to pull a home-made wagon.

KILLER FINALLY TRAPPED

A seven-foot, 117-pound panther, was caught in a trap and killed on the Madison ranch, near Sanderson, (Terrell county). It was believed the last of a bunch of panther killers which had destroyed many sheep and goats. Several months ago a trapper caught a panther in that vicinity which gnawed off its front foot and escaped.

BREAKS ANKLE, CRAWLS MILE

Russell Durham, age 14, who lives near Belton, (Bell county), fell 18 feet out of a pecan tree. The fall broke his ankle. The accident happened late in the afternoon and a search was started when the boy failed to come home at the usual hour. When found about 11 p. m., by his father, he had crawled one mile toward home.

INDIAN FIGHTER DIES

Alfred Estlack, age 100, veteran of the Indian wars, died in Clarendon, (Donley county). He served 12 years as an Indian scout, part of the time for Gen. George Custer prior to the famous battle of Little Big Horn. He came to Texas in 1883 from Colorado.

NO MAIL WHERE DOGS BITE

Postmaster Ogden Johnson, of Beaumont, (Jefferson county), has announced that postmen will not be asked to deliver mail where residents keep vicious dogs. His announcement followed an attack on a postman which resulted in two deep gashes in the mail carrier's leg.

WHERE IS GALVESTON?

Pvt. Jess C. Persefield's outfit is stationed in North Africa and that is where an argument started which resulted in a letter to Gov. Coke Stevenson. It seems some of Jess' buddies argued that because Galveston was on an island it was not in Texas, so he wrote to the Governor asking for a letter to prove his case. Gov. Stevenson's letter assured Pvt. Persefield that Galveston certainly is in Texas, and also thanked the Army man for "A splendid job of publicizing your home State."

ARMADILLOS MAY GO TO WAR

Citizens of Palo Pinto, (Palo Pinto county), are talking about an armadillo drive to get fat for use in the war effort. The animals have become a nuisance around the town by rooting up flowers and vegetables. They even eat scraps set out for dogs and cat food. Because these animals carry lots of fat, the citizens are talking about a drive to get as many of them as possible and render them up for the grease they would provide for making ammunition.

VALUABLE VIOLIN GOES TO WAR

Mrs. Lena Smith, of Whitesboro, (Grayson county), gave a valuable violin to the recent war chest drive. It was made in 1903 by her husband and built of spruce pine from a dresser which was 100 years old. Mrs. Smith had played the violin in church for many years. She also established a soldiers' sleeping center in Whitesboro some time ago.

KILLS BIG RATTLER IN DARK

A. L. Argabright, who lives near Chalf Bluff in McLennan county, killed a big rattler in the dark when it attacked his two dogs while they were chasing a skunk. He struck a match to see where the snake was coiled, then began beating it with a club. He thinks it was the same snake which bit one of his mules recently, causing its death.

TRIPLE CELEBRATION

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Lyon, of Leonard, (Fannin county), celebrated three anniversaries at one time. Both have the same birthday and their wedding anniversary is one day later. This year's party was in honor of their 60th wedding anniversary. Both were born in Tennessee from where they came to Texas in 1890.

ACCOMMODATING PREACHER

A couple (the man was in Army uniform) rushed up to a Dallas policeman and asked where they could find the nearest minister. A passer-by overheard the question and told them he was a minister, then asked what he could do for them. They had the license, so the trio went into a near-by department store where the manager volunteered the use of his office for the ceremony.

TRAINING FOR HANDICAPPED PERSONS

The State of Texas is opening a school at Roy Inks Lake, northwest of Austin, for training handicapped persons. The school will have a place for 350 who will learn skilled trades.

NEGRO RODEO

The Houston Negro Chamber of Commerce sponsored the first All-American championship Negro Rodeo in Sam Houston Coliseum during November. The event contained all of the standard rodeo contests.

COLLEGE GIRL REPAIRS WATCHES

Pretty Marguerite Milke, of Dallas, is paying her way through North Texas State Teachers' College in Denton, (Denton county), by repairing watches. She learned "what makes the wheels go 'round'" from her father who is a watchmaker. Her workshop is on the college campus.

THREE-EYED MONSTER

Members of the Texas Memorial Museum staff at Austin have pieced together remains of an animal skeleton found in Howard county. It was a three-eyed cousin of the salamander and was six feet long. Experts estimate it would have weighed 300 pounds. Dr. E. H. Sellards says this type of animal already was known to science, but this is the most complete remains ever found.

ARMY DOG GOES AWOL

Pudge, a German Shepherd dog, is in no hurry to go to war. Pudge's master loaned him to Dogs for Defense and sent him to the reception center at Dallas. Twice Army employes stocked up crates in which the dogs were to be sent to an island in the Gulf of Mexico for training in Jap hunting and killing. And twice Pudge escaped and stayed away from the pens until after shipments had been made. The first time he gnawed through heavy steel wire to escape. When he came back attendants put him in a covered pen, but Pudge jumped against the wire on top of the pen until he made a hole big enough to crawl through. Army officials wonder if Pudge has some sort of sixth sense which told him he was about to be shipped away.

The Soldier's Sublime Faith

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row escapes, but I have also seen some very wonderful acts of courage, self-sacrifice and loyalty. At last I have found what I have searched for all my life—a cause and a job in which I can lose myself completely and to which I can give every ounce of my strength and my mind.

"And I have mentally and spiritually conquered my fear of death. Pure animal terror (a protective emotion) cannot be entirely subdued by the mentality, but it can be, and has been, controlled.

"My prayer each night is that God will send you, who are suffering so much more than I am, His strength and peace. During the first days of war I also prayed for personal protection from physical harm, but now that I may be given strength to bear whatever I must bear I do so that those men under me will have every reasonable chance."

To that, on Christmas, 1943, I can say "Amen!"

HOLLYWOOD'S SANTA CLAUS PARADES

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publicity that often helped them along at the studio. Many of our glamour gals, including Joan Crawford, Olivia De Havilland, and Ginger Rogers, have ridden the route in their more obscure days, and give Santa credit for at least a part of their start toward stardom.

Yes, we have our traditions—humorous, tender, and fantastic—when Christmas comes along, just as every other city has. And while we're putting aside the usual celebrations this year in favor of the all-out war effort, we have our memories of gayer days and brighter nights. And one fine Christmas again we'll be welcoming Santa Claus back to Hollywood boulevard—when victory is won and "peace on earth, good will toward men" is at last a reality.

By Olsen and Johnson

ELZA POPPIN



A LITTLE FUN Jokes to Make You Laugh

Short and to the Point

A private with our overseas forces sent this short and to the point letter to the folks at home:

"Dear Mom and Pop: You probably won't get many letters from me while I'm here. When things are happening I haven't time to write, and when they aren't happening I haven't anything to write about. Love, David."

Laconic Coolidge

When Coolidge was Governor of Massachusetts he was once host to a visiting Englishman of some prominence. The latter ostentatiously took a British coin from his pocket, saying, "My great, great grandfather was made a Lord by the King whose picture you see on this shilling."

Coolidge laconically produced a nickel. "My great, great grandfather," he said, "was made an angel by the Indian whose picture you see on this coin."

Worse Than Ever

Mr. Ginsburg had been complaining of insomnia. "Even counting sheep is no good," he sighed to his partner in the clothing business.

"It is only good if you count up to 10,000," replied his partner. "Try that tonight."

But the next morning Mr. Ginsburg was still complaining.

"I did not sleep a wink," he said. "I counted the 10,000 sheep. I sheared 'em, combed the wool, had it spun into cloth, made into suits, sold the suits, and lost \$20 on the deal. I didn't sleep a wink."

The Debil

Some wasps had built their nests during the week in a colored preacher's best breeches. On the Sabbath as he warmed up to his preaching, the wasps, too, warmed up, with the result that presently the preacher was leaping about like a jack in the box, and slapping his lower anatomy with great vigor, to the amazement of the congregation.

"Be calm, brederen," he shouted. "De word of God am in my mouth, but de debil am in my breeches!"

Hard to Fit!

A sailor came back to camp after an attack, with a Jap helmet slung over his shoulder.

"I had to kill a hundred Japs for this," he announced.

"Why?" asked his buddies.

"Jap heads are so small I had to get the right size," he replied.

Team Work

An old farmer and his wife were driving along a country road through hilly country. The team, when they came to a hill, would settle into the collar and pull at a steady stride.

The farmer's wife said, "Hiram, I have just been thinking, watching this team settle in the collar and pull steadily along, how wonderful it would be if we could go through life like that."

"Maria," he replied, "possibly we could, if we were like this team with only one tongue between us."

"White Man Much Crazy"

Two pictures, one showing a dilapidated house, the other a field badly washed out, were printed in a farm magazine which offered prizes for the best essays suggested by the pictures. First prize went to a Cherokee Indian who wrote:

"Both pictures show white man crazy. Make big tepee. Plow hill. Water wash. Wind blow soil, grass all gone. Squaw gone, papoose gone. No chuckaway. No pig, no corn, no hay, no cow, no pony. Indian no plow land. Keep grass. Buffalo eat. Indian eat buffalo. Hide make tepee, moccasins, too. Indian no make terrace. No build dam. No give a damn. All time eat. No hunt job. No hitch-hike. No ask relief. Great Spirit make grass. Indian no waste anything. White man much crazy."

Kaiser Speed

Speaking of the speed with which Henry Kaiser has been building ships for the government, it is said that a society lady was recently asked to officiate at the christening of a new vessel. She was led out upon a high platform, and Mr. Kaiser placed a bottle of champagne in her hand. "Get ready!" he instructed.

The lady glanced over the platform railing and saw only the keel of a vessel being placed far down below.

"But, Mr. Kaiser," she objected. "There is no vessel here for me to christen!"

"It'll be up in a minute!" he said, excitedly. "Start swinging!"

Competition!

It was her wedding. As she waited for the auto which would take her to the church, she heaved a sigh of satisfaction.

"Darling," she said to the bridesmaid, "I feel so happy. I'm marrying the man I want."

"That's fine, dear," said the bridesmaid, a cynical person. "But to be perfectly happy a girl ought to marry the man somebody else wants."

Home Decorations

By AILEEN SPAFFORD

HOW will your front door say, "Merry Christmas," this year? There are so many lovely things which can be done to dress up the entrance of a house for the holidays. Some are gay and amusing—others dignified. The choice depends on your own mood rather than the style of the house because . . . when all's said and done . . . the majority of doors look pretty nice with any type of Christmas treatment.

If you're looking for an idea, here are a few suggestions:

1. A small toy drum backed with sprays of evergreen and tied with a big red bow. Slip the sticks through the ribbon knot.

2. Two gayly painted tin horns from the toy department. Fasten them X fashion against an arrangement of pine boughs.

3. Tie a bunch of small gayly wrapped packages to the door knocker with narrow ribbons of varying lengths. Tuck in a sprig of holly for good measure.

4. Find a jolly old Santa false face, cut the edges so it will rest flat against the door like a mask and surround it with a wreath of holly.

5. Spell out "MERRY

CHRISTMAS" with red Scotch tape on the two long panels of the door. Frame them with ropes of greenery. Words must be placed vertically of course.

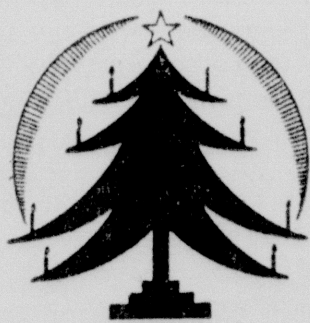
6. Fill a flat wicker basket with pine boughs, sticking in a few red berries for a dash of color. Tie a red bow on the handle and hang it from the knocker.

7. Make a shower bouquet of little silver bells tied to narrow red and green ribbons—every one a different length. Hang them from a big silver star and they'll tinkle merrily whenever the door is opened.

8. For an amusing wartime touch, tie a big red mesh shopping bag to the knocker. Stuff it with gayly wrapped packages of all sizes and shapes.

9. Make a big stocking of red oilcloth and white candy striped percale. Fill with paper or cotton so that it looks nice and bulging but do have a few real toys sticking out of the top.

10. Small round wreaths with or without silver bells attached are always appropriate. An animated heart-shaped wreath has a welcoming appeal. The edges can be of silver and the heart red or orange color.



by the Fighting Engineers

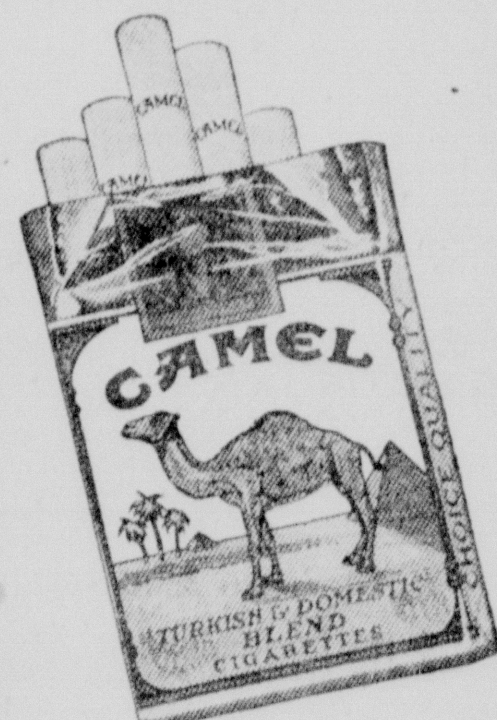
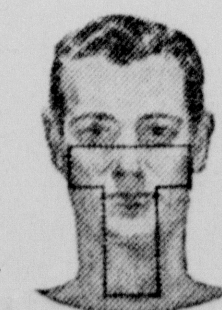
When there are tanks to be stopped—watch the Engineers! "Tank block—rush it!" is the order . . . and the photograph at the right (an actual training test) shows the result. Stopping tanks is only a part of the job of the fighting U. S. Engineers. They build the bridges . . . blaze the trails through mine fields—yes, all the services depend on the Engineers. And, like men in all the other services, you're apt to find that when an Engineer lights up a cigarette—it's a Camel.

They've Got What it Takes!

CAMELS SURE STAND THE TEST OF STEADY SMOKING! THAT SWELL FLAVOR ALWAYS HOLDS UP. AND THEY'RE EXTRA MILD!

CAMELS TASTE SO MUCH MORE FLAVORFUL—AND THEY'RE SO EASY ON MY THROAT!

"Stopping tanks is my job, too," says Amelia Baines, who works on Western Electric signal devices. She has a brother in the Artillery, and smokes the service man's favorite cigarette—Camel. "Camels have always been my cigarette," she says. "They always have a fresh, flavorful appeal."



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Texas Farm News Reports



Stockmen of Texas rejoiced at announcement that more than five million bushels of soybeans have been allotted to Texas mills for processing.

County Agent Ralph Lindsey, of Palo Pinto county, estimates that cattle grubs cause an annual loss in Texas of enough beef to feed 45,000 men in uniform. He says about two pounds must be trimmed from the loins and ribs of animals which reach the market infected.

Now that orchard planting time is just ahead, many farmers are making plans to increase home food supplies with fruit trees and vines of various kinds. Bulletin B-73, Texas Extension Service at College Station, gives helpful hints on orchard plantings. The bulletin is free.

A. D. Parker, of Happy, (Swisher county), is ready to recommend sweet clover for pasture improvement where dairy cows are in need of good grazing. Late in April he planted 11 acres of sloping land in sweet clover and during the last week of July turned 26 head of cows in on it for grazing. He says the cows walked through good native grass to get to the clover. He says also there was no bad odor in the milk like that found when the cows were eating native weeds.

Judy Ford and Lorraine Williams, members of the Ricardo girls' 4-H club of Kleberg county, have dramatized their club work in clothing, wartime food production, and health. Dressed alike in 4-H green dresses with white collars, the girls have presented their skit for other 4-H clubs in the county, Spanish-speaking groups, and for the Ricardo class in Red Cross home nursing. The girls are 12 years old and are completing their third year of club work.

"Cattle grubs are as bad in Lamar county as they were three years ago when control measures started," according to County Agent A. L. Edmiston. He says this pest costs American farmers at least 50 million dollars every year through loss in meat, milk and leather.

The long arm of war reaches into every home, which accounts for Minnie Bell Roeser, age 13, and her sister, June, age 11, getting up at 5:30 a. m. to milk five cows so they won't be late for the school bus. They milk again in the evening. But despite milking and going to school they have produced a year-round garden. The sisters, members of the Friday girls' 4-H club of Trinity county, sold tomatoes from their fall garden and, according to County Home Demonstration Agent Mildred L. Chapman, have 12 other varieties of vegetables growing.

E. L. Schoenberg, 4-H club boy of Somerville, (Burlison county), made the first entry for the Chicago Market Fat Stock Show and carlot competition. He will exhibit three head of Duroc Jersey barrows in open and junior swine classes.

One phase of Fire Prevention Week in Texas was devoted to a fight against barn fires, many of which would be prevented by being more careful about the things which produce fires. Most frequent causes are smoking around highly inflammable materials, short circuits in electrical wiring caused from dust and cobwebs, spontaneous combustion from improperly cured hay and grain, and carelessness with open-flame lights.

Several members of the Pear Ridge girls' 4-H club of Jefferson county gave their services to the wartime emergency this year, according to Georgia Macha, assistant county home demonstration agent. In the first place, the club increased its membership by 22. Five members worked a total of 247 hours at the Red Cross making surgical dressings.

J. L. Rainey, pecan grower of San Angelo, harvested a big crop of nuts from 200 budded trees in his orchard near Ben Ficklin. One tree yielded 560 pounds. Experts estimate the 200 trees will yield from 25,000 to 30,000 pounds this year. Mr. Rainey's first sale was 4,000 pounds at 27 cents per pound. They were the Schley variety.

Farmers in the vicinity of Nocona, (Montague county), can have free use of the city's canning center if they have beef or poultry which they want to put up for future use. County Home Demonstration Agent Eva Sue Merritt has launched a campaign in the county to bring about full use of the center which is located on the high school grounds.

The Houston Bank for Co-Operatives reports that Texas farmers own 419 gins, 7 cottonseed oil mills, one compress and 26 cotton warehouses. The bank has found that farmer organizations are acquiring an increasing proportion of the machinery which manufacturers, processors, stores and finances their products, supplies and services.

During 1943 the Texas Prison System farms produced 2,191 bales of cotton and the system now has 175,000 bushels of corn stored for future use. During the last three months the system's textile mill has manufactured an average of 10,000 yards of 8-ounce duck per week, working two shifts six days per week.

In order to aid Red River county farmers in their soil conservation work, the county has purchased a terracing machine which has been turned over to the soil conservation service which will have full control over use of the machine. Officials declare hundreds of miles of terraces are needed in the county's long range conservation program.

Jack Tyler, whose 1,095 Hereford calf was judged grand champion at the Armstrong county fall livestock show, has a challenging record in meat production. This year he had demonstrations in swine, beef cattle and sheep, and produced 24,316 pounds of meat valued at \$2,940. He is a five-year 4-H club member, and was selected as the 1943 county winner of the meat animal contest, says County Agricultural Agent Leon C. Ransom.

An editorial in Farm and Ranch urges farmers to plow under cotton stalks to guard against boll weevil. "If one pair of weevils survives the winter, under normal conditions, they are capable of increasing the weevil population by 12,000,000 during the season," the farm paper declares. It points out that research shows 19 to 24 times as many weevils survive the winter in and near cotton fields where stalks are left growing until killed by frost.

County Home Demonstration Agent Lucile, of Knox county, reported an unusual record held by Mrs. R. M. Almanrode. She has missed only 13 home demonstration club meetings in 18 years. She has a perfect attendance record for 13 of the 18 years. Mrs. Almanrode began her club work when a bride of two weeks and has held every office in her club. She boasts of having canned the first calf in Stonewall county long before that county had extension service work.

J. M. Williams, vocational teacher at Ballinger, (Runnels county), is advising farmers to place orders early for baby chicks. He thinks the demand on hatcheries will be as heavy next season as that which swamped baby chick producers in 1943. He is urging farmers to purchase chicks as close to home as possible. "If the kind or breed of chicks wanted can not be secured in your locality, try not to go outside the State to make the purchase," he urged.

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H. Westberry, of the Files Valley community, (Hill county), reports a litter of 23 Duroc-Jersey pigs from one of his sows. He and a son have been raising Duroc-Jersey hogs for 15 years. This is the biggest litter from any one of his sows.

Bell county is planning to ship the biggest crop of pecans since 1935, according to D. B. Porter who has been a carlot buyer there for a number of years. Yields are heavy on Nolan creek and the Leon river from Little river north and west. The crop is short on the Lampasas river in the Youngsfort community.

Some 28 Frio county 4-H club boys carried game demonstrations on 14,585 acres of land this year. At the end of their demonstration they had the following wild game in the area: 48 deer, 71 turkeys, 2,458 quail, and 74 javelins, says County Agricultural Agent N. H. Hunt. Thirty Texas Extension Service game management signs marked the acreage.

Owners of poultry flocks should use spare time in late fall for culling flocks to insure full benefit from scarce feed, an experienced poultryman said. All boarder hens should be disposed of—probably through canning for the food supply. The birds to be kept should be watched for diseases, particularly paralysis. Most common symptoms of paralysis are lameness, curled up toes, limp wings, peculiar movements of the head, loss of a sense of balance, or total paralysis of limbs, he said.

Max LaPrada, Titus county 4-H club member, practices progressive cropping. His white potato crop, which sold for \$94, was planted in alternate rows with corn, and after the potato harvest peas were planted in the rows. The production was 30 bushels of corn and 700 pounds of peas. Out of these earnings Max bought a \$100 war bond. His Chester White gilt took first place at the fall 4-H livestock show, according to James W. McGown, county agricultural agent.

Several of the 20 Haskell county 4-H club boys who had home gardens as their 1943 demonstrations marketed part of their crops for cash in addition to supplying their families with vegetables for daily use and canning. Gene Harrell of the Rochester club sold \$104.50 worth, mainly watermelons, and John Ed May of the New Cook Club sold \$20.65 worth. In addition, 200 containers of surplus products were canned from his garden. The mother of Everett Payne of the Rule club canned 60 quarts of his products and Everett sold \$2.37 worth.

According to County Agricultural Agent J. W. Wilson, Hunt county 4-H club boys have declared war on rats. Almost every club boy in the county, he reports, has pledged himself to kill a minimum of 100 rats by June 1, 1944.

County Agent John W. Measel, of Bowie county, reports that many farmers in that area will start a new practice this year—feeding wheat to dairy cattle. He says wheat is equal to corn when it forms one-third to one-half of the concentrate mixture. It equals corn in starch, is higher in protein, and is as high in digestible nutrients. He explains the farmer should not overlook the fact that wheat is higher in protein than corn, and this makes it possible to use less protein supplement in the feed ration.

E. R. Killough, of Hubbard, (Hill county), produced a pecan this year which was three inches long with the hull removed. It measured six inches around the long way and four inches the other way. It was grown on a native tree which had a bud taken from one in Waco. Foliage resembles an English walnut while the nut is shaped like a pecan. Mr. Killough has been experimenting with pecans for many years.

A group of Wilbarger farmers and business leaders went to Tillman county, Oklahoma, to make inquiry about results obtained from a flax planting project there this year. They found that about 20,000 acres had been planted in that county. It had an average yield of more than 10 bushels per acre which sold for \$2.60 per bushel. They found also that this new crop can be grown with equipment already available, such as drills and combines. Several farmers in the Vernon area will plant some flax next year as a result of the success reported from across Red river.

Fruit trees should be treated during the winter for harmful pests and surface diseases, according to J. F. Rosborough, horticulturalist for A. & M. College extension service. For prevention of borers and scale he recommends paradichloro-benzene, commonly called PDB. This should be used during the fall months. No soil preparation is necessary except breaking the crust for 15 to 18 inches around the tree and removal of grass and weeds. PDB crystals should be placed in a circle about three inches from the trunk. One ounce should be used for mature trees, and half of an ounce for young ones. The crystals should be covered with dirt and firmly packed immediately into a cone-shaped mound, to be torn down after six weeks.

Horace Foster, Denison, (Grayson county), nurseryman, is urging a campaign for extermination of crows. He says they are multiplying by the hundreds of thousands and carry off peanuts, pecans and lots of small grain. He says Texas farmers have suffered more damage this year because they could not get ammunition to kill the crows.

Texas farmers have been warned that daisies carry the yellow-dwarf potato disease. The warning comes after experiments showed 45 per cent of plants in a test patch were infected. Diseased daisy plants are dwarfed and in spring or fall show rosettes of curled, twisted leaves. During most of the summer they appear normal except for their smaller size.

Edith Picha, Nueces county 4-H club girl, has a hand in so many jobs that it's possible only to touch the high spots. The key to her activities, in her own words, is that with an only brother in the Army all labor scarce, "I have taken over a man's job" on the family's 200-acre farm. She drove the tractor and helped plant all the crops—cotton, corn and feed—and a whole grist of vegetables. The latter include 20 acres each of onions, cabbage and beets. She helped her mother can more than 450 jars of vegetables, and in addition she and her father helped a neighbor plant his Victory garden. "From planting to harvesting," she explains, "I helped with everything and I do admit that it was hard work, but I hope that by producing food for our service men Victory soon will be won."

Texas Hereford breeders scored heavily in the National Hereford Show held in Dallas at mid-November. They won five of seven classes for females and two of the bull classes. Essar Ranch, of San Antonio, showed the grand champion bull, and Wyoming Hereford Ranch, of Cheyenne, Wyo., had the grand champion cow. B. F. Irby and Sons, of Goliad, (Goliad county), sold two heifers through the auction for \$4,400 and \$2,775. Merlyn Gail Kothmann, of Mason, (Mason county), had the champion club steer. W. H. Hammon, of Wichita Falls, showed the reserve champion female. Veteran breeders estimated the 351 head shown would have brought \$525,000 in an auction.

The Panola county USDA war board has compiled a set of eight recommendations for good forest cutting practices which will insure a future timber crop, better cash returns and a continuous supply of wood:

1. Cut timber selectively, leaving a good stand for a crop of saw logs and poles. Young stands can be thinned for pulpwood.
2. Get prices and wood specifications from several buyers, or direct from the mills.
3. Obtain a contract for a definite number of cords, always with prices and specifications before cutting any timber.
4. If standing timber is sold, use a scale contract which specifies trees to be cut, period of cutting, total quantity to be cut, price and method of payment, damage to unmarked trees, and fire protection.
5. Cut stumps low. Use tops to a diameter of four inches.
6. Mark all trees to be cut.
7. Cut pulpwood on slack days or when the ground is too wet to work at regular jobs.
8. Get the greatest cash return from timber by doing own cutting and hauling.

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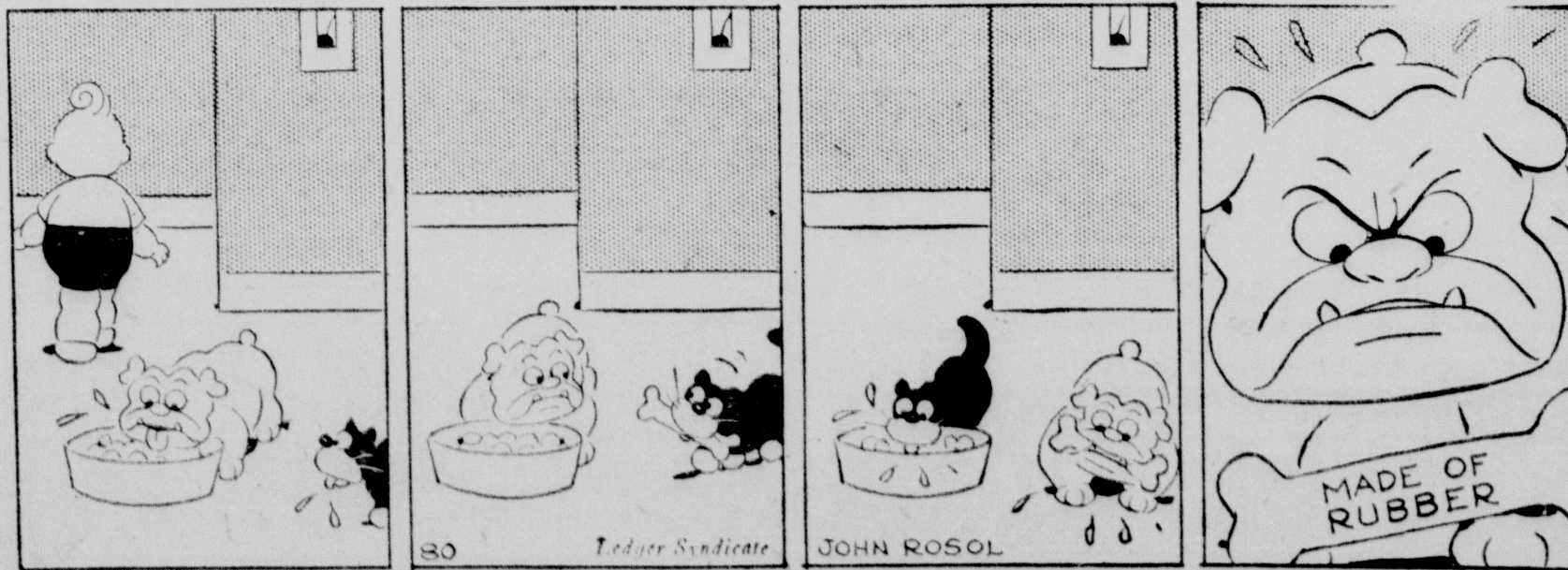
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Our Boys and Girls



STORY OF THE PILGRIMS

Most of our boys and girls know that among the first settlers in America were the Pilgrims from England. Here is the true story of their migration in a small sailing vessel and their landing at Plymouth, Massachusetts, December 26, 1620, one day after Christmas:

Thirteen years after John Smith and his companions settled Jamestown, Va., other English folk crossed the Atlantic Ocean. They were to be known in history as "Pilgrims." The vessel which took them out on the Atlantic was the Mayflower.

When the Pilgrims reached mid-ocean they met stormy weather, and the main beam of their vessel was jarred out of place. For a time there was talk of turning back, but it seemed as dangerous to return as to go forward. Fortunately, one of the Pilgrims had a large iron screw. The beam was forced back into place, fastened with the screw and the voyage continued.

Two months and five days after leaving England the Pilgrims reached the American shore sighted first the coast of Cape Cod. The country there looked forbidding and barren, but since winter was drawing near they decided to land and sailed in to what is now the harbor of Provincetown, Mass.

Before landing the men met in the cabin of the Mayflower and drew up laws for the government of the colony. At this time, also they chose John Carver to be their governor.

Several men boarded the sailboat which had been brought along on the Mayflower, and set out to explore the coast. They found a river mouth, but the water was too shallow to make a good harbor.

Some days later the sailboat reached a harbor which seemed to provide a good location for settlement. The news was taken to the Mayflower and caused much rejoicing. With happy hearts the Pilgrims sailed into Plymouth harbor, ready to build homes for themselves in the New World.

When the Pilgrims entered the harbor it was December 16, 1620, by the calendar then in use. Since then, the calendar has been pushed 10 days ahead, and we should now call it December 26.

Though it was near the end of December, the winter had not begun in earnest. A chill rain was falling, but no snow, as the Pilgrims began putting up shelters. The first building was a "common house," made of rough logs, the cracks filled with mud. This place was a storehouse to hold food and other articles belonging to all.

Later a fort was laid out on the hill, where cannon were to be placed for defense. Men were set to work building huts near the community house, and the winter might have proved a happy one had it not been for the sickness which followed.

Even before the Pilgrims arrived at Plymouth, some of them had become ill. That winter almost half the pilgrims died, but by spring all the rest were in good health again. Originally there had been 102. Death took 44 that first winter.

One day an Indian was seen approaching. The white men were amazed when they heard him cry out, "Welcome!"

Going to meet him, they found that he could talk in broken English. He had learned to speak our language, he said, from English sailors who had come before to the coast, some distance north. This Indian had been their friend. His name, he told the Pilgrims, was Samoset.

On a later day Samoset made another visit to Plymouth and this time brought along a friend named Squanto. Samoset and Squanto became warm friends of the whites. Squanto showed the settlers how to plant corn and especially advised them to put two or three fish in each "hill." That made the soil richer and helped the grain to grow more plentifully. A watch was kept for wolves lest those animals should smell the fish and dig them up.

About this time the Mayflower sailed back to England, bearing many letters and messages for friends and relatives in the Old World. In spite of the hardships of the winter, not one of the Pilgrims went back. Shortly after the departure of the Mayflower Gov. Carver died. William Bradford was chosen to fill his place, and he served for 21 years.

During the summer the colonists spent part of their time trading with the Indians. In exchange for knives and beads, they obtained furs and corn.

Who were the Pilgrims? Well, they were part of a company of English Puritans who had left England because of their desire to be free of the religious persecutions in their native land, and settled in Leyden, Holland, in 1609.

Dissatisfied with conditions in Holland they set sail for the New World on September 6, 1620. Their original destination, it may be mentioned, was Virginia, and a grant of land south of the Hudson river had been obtained by them. But storms drove them north of their course.

Slowly the colony grew. Less than a year after the first members had landed, a ship called the Fortune arrived with 35 passengers, and in 1622 a party of 60 founded a settlement at what is now Weymouth, in Boston Harbor; but being attacked by Indians, some joined the colony at Plymouth while the remainder returned to England.

Many readers, perhaps, have either visited or seen pictures of the lofty monument erected in honor of the Pilgrims on Town Hill, Provincetown, on Cape Cod. This memorial,

toward which the United States Congress contributed \$40,000, was dedicated in August, 1910.

PAUL REVERE'S DOG

Dogs have always played conspicuous roles of heroism and real service in every war recorded by history.

Few people, however, have heard the story, handed down by Paul Revere, himself, to his children and grandchildren, of the part his dog had in the famous ride of 1775, that was so important to the American Revolution.

When Revere left his house on that fateful night of April 18, his dog followed him. We do not know his name, sex or breed. We know only that it was not more than ten inches high (since a town ordinance forbade the owning of larger dogs in old Boston) and that it was well-trained, intelligent and affectionately treated by its master.

On reaching the part of North Boston where his boat was hidden and friends were waiting to row him across the river that separated him from his route, Revere discovered that he had left his spurs at home.

Many times in later years, the American patriot told his grandchildren how he hastily wrote a note to his wife, Rachel, tied it to the dog's collar, and sent the faithful animal home with the message. Soon the well-trained dog was back again with the spurs hanging from its neck, and Revere was equipped for the ride that was to go down in history.

It has been suggested that Paul Revere invented this story for the amusement of his children. Be that as it may, we have this colorful postscript to history from his own lips. If the story is true, Revere's dog did a service for its country as surely as did its bold master.—Marjory Smith, in "Our Dumb Animals."

THE SHEPHERDS

That same night, on a hillside not far from Bethlehem, there were shepherds taking care of their sheep. The night was cold and the stars were very bright. Some of the shepherds sat close to a fire to keep warm. Others wrapped themselves in blankets and lay on the ground near by. Some of them slept, but always one of them was wide awake to be sure that no hungry wolves stole and killed their sheep.

Suddenly one of the shepherds sat up straight. "What was that?" he said.

"It sounded like music," said another.

By this time all of the shepherds were awake. Looking up, they saw a bright light—so bright that they had to close their eyes. When they opened them, an angel stood before them. The shepherds were afraid and fell upon the ground.

But the angel said, "Do not be afraid, for I have come to tell you good news. There is born this day a Baby who will bring joy to you and to all people everywhere. You will find Him in Bethlehem lying in a manger."

Then it seemed to the shepherds that the whole sky was filled with angels singing this beautiful song:

"Glory to God in the highest, And on earth peace, good will toward men."

Then, still singing their song, the angels went away, and the shepherds were alone with their sheep. They were silent for a little while. Then one of them said, "Did the angel say 'in Bethlehem'?"

"Yes," answered another, "and he said that we would find the Baby in a manger. Why, it must be in the cave back of the inn. Come, let us go to Bethlehem to find Him."

Quickly the shepherds pulled their cloaks around them and hurried across the hill to find the Baby.

When they came to the cave, they found Joseph and Mary, and there in a manger bed was the Baby Jesus, as the angel had said. The shepherds fell upon their knees before the Baby and repeated softly a part of the angel's song, "Glory to God in the highest."

The shepherds told Mary and Joseph what they had seen and heard. Then they returned to their sheep, singing songs of joy and praise to God.—"The Story of Jesus" by Gloria Diener, published by Rand McNally & Co., Chicago.

CHILDREN ENJOY SWEETS OF THEIR OWN CREATION

Sweets made by their own hands taste sweeter to the children. So turn them loose to creating their own fictions. Of course, the fruitier sweets are the healthier ones. With a good recipe like "Fruited Loaf" before the youngsters, you wouldn't need to worry if they do quite a little sampling while they worked. Dried fruits contribute mineral and vitamin value and energy in a quickly available form.

Fruited Loaf

One cup prunes, 1 cup dried white figs, 1 cup seed-raised raisins, 1/2 cup nut meats, toasted coconut or chopped nut meats.

Boil prunes 10 minutes in sufficient water to cover, drain, cool and remove pits. Rinse figs and raisins, drain and dry thoroughly. Clip stems from figs. Grind fruits and nuts, (Continued top next column)

using a fine cutter. Blend thoroughly, divide and shape into rolls about 1 1/2 inches in diameter. Roll in coconut or nuts. Chill and slice.

PIE SUPPERS HAVE CHANGED

Time was when a pie supper was an orderly and mildly exciting affair to raise a small sum for the new church carpet, or the curtains for the schoolhouse.

A pie was a pie in those days, and 50 cents, bid in the auction, was considered a good round price for one, and a handsome compliment to the lady who baked it. Of course there usually was a mild flurry when the pastry of some exceptionally luscious girl went on the block, and then the bidding would go way up, until probably some young fellow who had just sold a shoat closed out all competition with a bid of a dollar and a quarter for his sweetheart's best pie.

That's what pie suppers used to be. But they're different now. Down in Arkansas the pie supper has been turned over to the selling of war bonds and stamps. And already it has jumped into the class of high finance.

Leslie, Ark., has reported a pie supper in which the sales exceeded \$12,000. One pie, baked by a famous pie-maker of the vicinity, brought a neat \$1,250—and that is no slouch for a pie, be it made by the finest expert in the land.

All of which is an index of the height to which patriotic fervor has mounted in Arkansas—and elsewhere. A pie for \$1,250. What a piker that makes of our old friend who sold a shoat and bid a bold \$1.25 for a pie made by the prettiest girl in town!

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BUFFALO MEAT ON WAR MENUS

Buffalo meat, now offered as a "fill in" for wartime shortage, was a food staple of westward-expanding America, says the National Geographic Society.

Regardless of public taste, there are not enough bison to figure importantly in the meat situation. Before the advent of the white man the bison herds totaled possibly 60 million head, almost half as many as the present human population. Now there are only about 5,000 bison. Even this low figure is at least 4,000 in excess of the bison census of 1900, when it was feared the bison would become extinct.

The years from 1850 were

the period of the great bison carnage on the western plains. Travelers killed these 2,000-pound animals for a single meal, often taking only the tongue. Even when bison were killed to feed railroad-building gangs only the choicest parts were used. "Buffalo Bill" Cody killed 4,280 animals during his tenure as "buffalo killer" for the Kansas Pacific Railroad. On a wager he once shot 38 buffalo in one day.

The "hide-hunters" were the deadliest. They pursued the bison to its last refuge, killing and taking hides until first the southern herd was wiped out; then the northern was finished. As the bison disappeared, the price of hides went up, so the hide-hunters worked until the remaining bison were so scattered as to

make hunting too difficult.

By 1894 several small herds had been put under the care of game conservationists. The remnant of the great northern herd drifted into Yellowstone National Park. Even there poachers kept up the killing until, when only 20 buffalo remained, a protective law was passed. This measure marked the beginning of the herd which now totals about 1,200. An annual roundup weeds out the excess animals. There are eight other government herds, and more than a hundred herds privately owned or in zoos.

The names "bison" and "buffalo" are not synonymous except colloquially. The bison is an ox, distinguished by a hump. The true buffalo, such as the water buffalo, has no hump.—Science Digest.

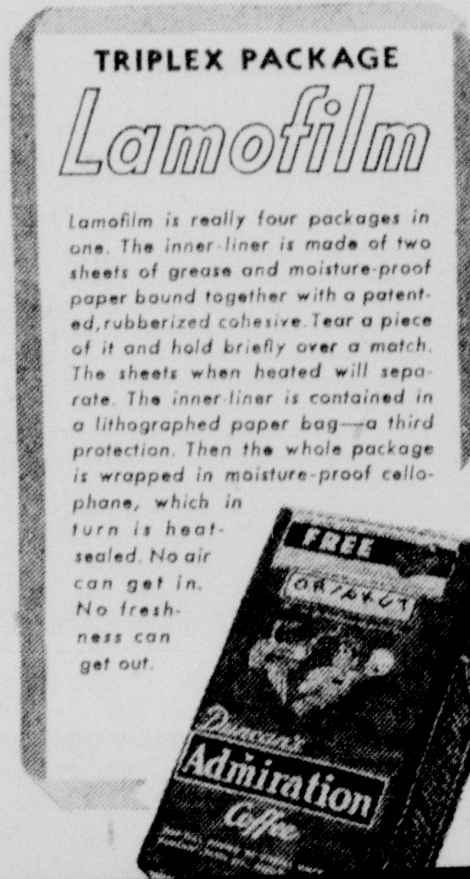
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ENJOY BEAUTY OF THE SEASON—DO FOR OTHERS

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Some people have an impulse to pass up Christmas doings because of various reasons, or personal grief when a beloved member of the family is missing for the first time; or because of thinking, "We have no money to spend, so why bother?" Still others, in this year of war, may think they are too weighed down by its meaning, not only here but in the tortured, starved countries of the rest of the world to have any heart for Christmas celebration. And last, are those who have a husband, a father, sons or a sweetheart away from home in the service, perhaps actually fighting somewhere.

To all of these I can say, I believe it is better and I believe you will feel better if you keep Christmas in some measure in your home this year.

Christmas is not a silly, senseless festival. It is a time of beauty. Its meaning is of deep significance. It is a festival of love. It celebrates the birth of the Prince of Peace. Surely love and peace on earth and good will to men give Christmas always a reason to be observed. And I believe it helps even the sad heart if some symbol of Christmas is visible in their homes.

If you decide then that you are not going to let Christmas down, but it is going to be unusual—hard for you this year, in your heart or in your purse, you are not bound to observe it in every usual way. Neither, if you don't wish it, need your observance of Christmas be loud and clattery and crowded and rushed. But you can observe Christmas in some of the other ways which are of the very essence of the day. What that essence is may be this or that to you.

To me, the one way in which the Christmas

spirit comes into a home is with its decorations—wreaths, holly, mistletoe, garlands, candle light, red "for sure" on the holiday table; and if trees are to be had this year, a Christmas tree. This tree may be large or small, or symbolized and trimmed not at all, a little, or a lot.

To visit friends one loves and favorite relatives one hasn't seen in a long time, to invite them to one's home. This, too, is part of Christmas. So are carols and so is the Christmas service at church. So is doing something, a gift, a visit, to bring joy to the heart of some special child, a dear, very old person, or an invalid.

The Christmassy Christmas dinner table is another observance of Christmas that simply is to me an inseparable part of the day.

As for your children, almost no matter what may be holding you back, I don't believe they should see their homes denuded of the Christmas spirit. Christmas stands for loving and giving and beauty and peace. These virtues and home are what we're working for and our men are fighting for. Our children sense it. And certainly our boys and men are far away, to whom home is a warm bright spot, are not, as Christmas

Day draws near, going to visualize their own home in a Christmas dim-out. They won't want it that way.

Most of the other things I haven't mentioned, which make Christmas for a child, should go on if possible. And I want to add that this applies very definitely to our boys and girls in their teens. War has come very close to them, and home should be as vibrant for them, and they should figure in the Christmas scene as much as the younger ones.



THE CHRISTMAS DINNER

Christmas dinner takes on added importance this year as boys come home on furlough to celebrate the holiday with their families and as students arrive home from school. The dinner must be the best the house can afford, and the grocer supply.

The question as to whether it is to be turkey, goose, or a fat hen has no doubt been settled long ere this. It may not even be necessary to offer suggestions of dishes or menus, for certainly the family's favorites must be given preference. However, there will be those looking for ideas, so here they are:

Modest Christmas Dinner

Molded Tomato Aspic
Assorted Relishes
Warm Rolls
Roast turkey, goose or chicken with
Stuffing and brown gravy
Sweet potatoes with apples Buttered onions
Hot mince tarts with hard sauce
Apple and nut bowl Coffee.

Spoon Bread

If you enjoy spoon bread, here is one that is different, one so soft that it must be spooned from the dish in which it was baked, delicious for either breakfast or luncheon served with gravy or butter.

Frosted Grapes

Pour 1 cup water over 3 tablespoons of white cornmeal and mix until smooth. Add 1 tablespoon flour, 1 teaspoon salt and 1 tablespoon sugar. Cook in double boiler until thick, stirring constantly. Stir in 1 cup drained cooked rice and 1 tablespoon butter. Add the beaten yolks of 2 egg whites and pour into greased baking dish; place in a pan containing an inch of hot water and bake in a moderate oven, 350 degrees F., 35 to 40 minutes.

Make a delightful centerpiece for the holi-
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Sweet Potato Pudding

"This pudding was made four generations ago by our family; they did not have white sugar or light syrups in the country," writes Mrs. L. M. Sharpe, Atlanta, Ga. "It is delicious. One may get a different taste by using 1/2 cup of white sugar and 1/2 cup honey in place of molasses and brown sugar. Vanilla extract or cooking sherry may be used instead of brandy."

4 cups of grated raw sweet potato, put in a mixing bowl and add ingredients as follows:
1/2 cup sifted cornmeal
1/4 teaspoon each of ground allspice, cloves, nutmeg and cinnamon
1 cup of brown sugar
1/4 teaspoon salt
1 tablespoon molasses
1/4 cup butter
2 cups sweetmilk, heated and poured over ingredients
3 eggs well beaten and added and mixed well
1 tablespoon of brandy.

To bake, have oven to baking heat then pour pudding into deep baking dish and turn heat low so you can bake it around 45 minutes.

Prune Cranberry Whip

Two and one-half cups sweetened cranberry puree, 1 cup puree made from cooked prunes, 3/4 cup granulated sugar, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 4 egg whites.

Combine cranberry puree, prune puree, sugar, and salt, bring to a boil and continue boiling about two minutes; cool. Beat egg whites stiff; add puree gradually, beating continuously. Chill and serve. Serves 6 to 8.

Rice Stuffing for Roast Duck

One cup raw rice, 1/2 cup chopped celery, 2 tablespoons butter, 1 teaspoon seasoned salt, 1/2 teaspoon red pepper, 1/2 teaspoon powdered sage, 1/4 teaspoon fresh onion juice, 1/2 cup duck stock, 4 to 5 lb. duck. Use a good head rice. Wash through several cold waters, until the last rinse water is clear. Rub 1/2 teaspoon shortening over bottom of a large saucepan; add rice and pour over it at least 2 quarts of rapidly boiling water. Boil rapidly, uncovered, for about 15 to 20 minutes, or until grains are soft when pinched between thumb and finger.

day banquet. Select three large, firm bunches of red or blue grapes, brush with a mixture of a tablespoon of water and an egg white, beaten until blended but not bubbly. Dust lightly with granulated sugar and allow to dry. Arrange on a large mirror and tie stems together with a shining silver bow. Surround mirror with holly leaves or laurel.

Peanut Butter Taffy

One and one-third cups (1 can) sweetened condensed milk, 2 tablespoons peanut butter, 1/4 cup corn syrup.

Cook sweetened condensed milk, peanut butter and corn syrup together in a heavy pan. Stir over low heat until hard ball forms when tested in cold water. Cool on buttered pan. Pull until firm. Stretch into long rope and cut in pieces.

Holiday Nibblers

Always approve of sugared nuts. Make them yourself this way: Boil a half-cup of water, a cup of sugar and a quarter-teaspoon of salt until it will form a soft ball in cold water. Add a half-teaspoon of vanilla, then gradually mix in two cups of nutmeats, stirring until all are coated.

PLANE WING AND TAIL DE-ICER

Thermal anti-icing, a system by which air warmed by the exhaust gases is blown through ducts onto wing and tail surfaces, has been installed on big bombers made by Consolidated Vultee. Exhaust gases, formerly wasted, heat the de-icing air through heat exchangers in the exhaust pipes. The aid then is circulated through wing and tail surfaces. The heated air keeps the leading edges of the wing, where ice usually forms first, at 60 degrees when the outside temperature is 40 below zero. Thermal anti-icing can be used in combat, at slow flying speeds, and during takeoffs and landings. The anti-icing effect begins as soon as the motors are started, and will begin instantly to remove ice that accumulated on a grounded airplane, which formerly had to be removed by hand.—Popular Mechanics.

And when they were departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeareth to Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I bring thee word: for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him. When he arose, he took the young child and his mother by night, and departed into Egypt. Matthew 2:13-14.

CRADLE SONGS

Ever since the babe of Bethlehem lay swaddled in a manger under star-sprinkled eastern skies, mothers throughout the world have rocked their babies to sleep in cradles akin to that first, crude trough. According to an article printed in the Chicago Tribune of August 8, 1888, and embellished with line drawings, the cradle is a direct descendant of the manger in which the Christ-child lay.

In shape, design, decoration, its traditional use in Christian homes and churches and the religious surroundings of the songs sung over it, the cradle shows its Christ-manger derivation.

The Dutch painted open armed figures of the little Jesus on the foot-boards of the hooded cradles in which their babies slept. The Holy family stood guard at the head of Russian babies' beds. Hungarian children slept with the cross at their heads, and German children once lay in cradles surrounded by the painted images of the Holy Mother and the Magi.

Even the hammocks in which young South American Indians lay and the hooded boards used for carrying North American Indian babies show a trace of the manger in their design. Japanese and Chinese children slept on the floor. Hottentots rocked their babies in their arms, and Zulus squatted on the ground and dandled the babies on their knees.

Singing of cradle songs once was one of the great festivals of German Christians. They were always sung on Christmas night and almost always in a church.

All lullabies murmured over cradles throughout the world have the same, soothing sort of words and tunes as those of the lullaby classic, "Rock-a-bye, baby, on the tree top." Almost without exception, each explains where daddy has gone or promises the baby something special if he will go to sleep. The last line of a Danish lullaby says that daddy has gone to buy baby a new pair of shoes.

Hottentot mothers sang songs of their sultry surroundings to their children, describing their silver rivers singing, the twining flowers

amid the trees, and the flight of the gay green birds. Japanese mothers promised red beans and fish on awakening, and Chinese mothers agreed to prepare boiled mutton.

Scottish mothers sang a lullaby which has renewed significance this year:

"Ba-loo, ba-loo, my wee, wee thing.
O, softly close thy blinkin' e'e;
Thy daddy now is far awa',
A sailor laddie o'er the sea."

LIGHTED CANDLES A LEGEND

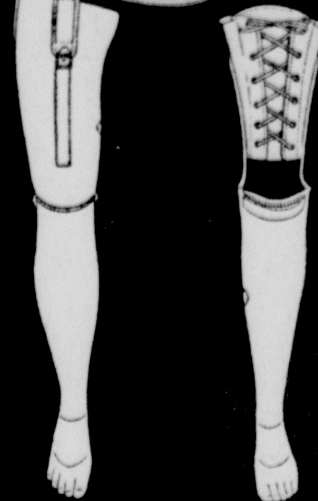
There is this legend behind the custom of lighting candles on Christmas Eve.

Long, long ago in Austria there lived an old shoemaker in a little cottage at the edge of a village. Although this humble man had little, his goodness of heart was such that each evening he placed a lighted candle in his window to welcome weary travelers who might be asking shelter.

War came to the village; famine and hardships came to all; sons died in battle; animals starved for want of grain. Yet always the old shoemaker suffered less. The peasants finally gathered to figure out why he was spared. They decided it might be because of the welcoming candle which still burned brightly in his window each night. That night, the eve before Christmas, every house in the village had a candle burning in the window.

When morning came it was as though a miracle had happened. A soft mantle of snow covered the village. There was something more—a new air of peace and hope. Shortly after daybreak, a messenger came riding into the village, bringing news of peace. The peasants were awed. "It was the candles," they whispered. "They have guided the Christ Child to our doorstep. We must never again fail to light candles on His Birthday."

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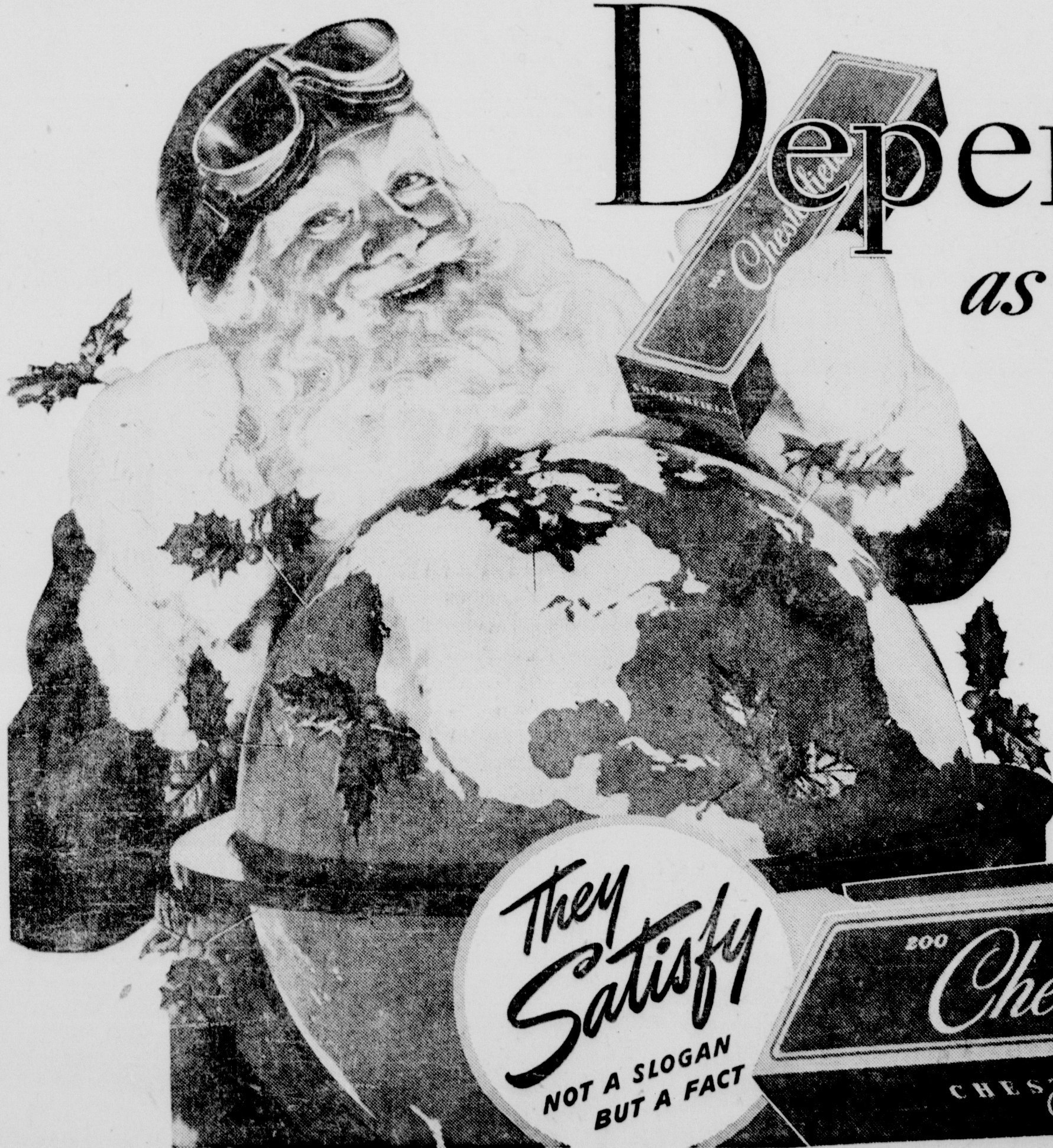
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